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CRIPPS REPORTED SMILING

London, Aug. 19.—Smiling and appearing in better health, Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, arrived in London today after four weeks' treatment in a clinic at Zurich, Switzerland.

Sir Stafford was accompanied by Lady Cripps. The Chancellor went through a course of treatment for a digestive complaint in Switzerland.

Asked if he was now fit, he replied: "I shall be feeling fit when I have finished my holiday." The Chancellor is expected to spend a week's vacation at his Gloucestershire home before going to the United States for vital talks on Britain's dollar problem.

Sir Stafford said he would see the Prime Minister tonight at the latter's country home, Chequers.—Reuter.

Gruesome Transvaal Murder

Cape Town, Aug. 19.—A South African miner's wife told a Transvaal court today how she held a torch while her husband cut off the head of a black servant girl which they later put in a bag and threw in a river.

The miner, Anthony Michael Holtzhausen, 45, was sentenced to death for murdering the girl. Evidence showed that she was pregnant and that Holtzhausen had been intimate with her.

The murder was said to have taken place on a farm on February 20. The decapitated body of the girl, Enlika Mkonte, 19, was found in the bush.

The Crown contended that Holtzhausen had first shot Enlika in the head, then decapitated her with a knife and mutilated her body by removing those organs which would show that the girl was pregnant and that her unborn child was of mixed origin.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Communist Catholics

THE Communist Governments of Poland and Czechoslovakia are threatening severe punishment to any Catholic priest who refuses the sacraments to members of the Communist Party. The two Governments are demanding for Communists the right to be "practising Catholics," and the right to full membership of the Catholic Church. By all canons of the Catholic Church, "Marxism" and "Leninism" that is simply not sense. Both Marx and Lenin would have poured angry scorn on the suggestion that one could be at one and the same time a Marxist and a Christian. The two creeds are, both from the Marxist and from the Christian point of view, incompatible and irreconcilable. If you believe in the Christian revelation, then dialectic materialism is blasphemy. If you believe in dialectic materialism, the "Christian revelation" is childish nonsense. Marx, Lenin and their followers were sincere and consistent in their beliefs. To them the conception of a personal God was gross superstition. Religion was "the opiate of the people"—an instrument of the ruling class to keep the workers in passive subjection. For them a Communist must by definition be an atheist. He could not be a Christian or a Moslem or a Hindu of any kind. That was—and, indeed, it must be to any convinced Marxist—axiomatic. The idea that a member of the Communist Party should be, or wish to be, a Christian—should want to partake of Christian sacraments—would be unthinkable. Such a desire would not be a mere "deviation." It would imply a denial of the essential basis of the Communist creed. A Communist regime might tolerate Christianity among its subjects in its desire to impress that it respects freedom

of conscience. Indeed, the Soviet Government has done so, within limits. But that is an entirely different matter from tolerating Christianity among members of the Communist Party. That has not been allowed, and rightly so, since it is absurd—as absurd as for a vegetarian society to allow its members to eat meat. But now the whole situation has changed. Communist parties are not merely allowing their members to be Catholics, but are insisting peremptorily on their right to be Catholics and to receive the Christian sacraments. It is as though the Church had demanded for the early Christians the right to sacrifice to pagan idols and to the statues of the Roman emperors. The thesis of the Catholic Church, given the Catholic premise, is rational and logical. You cannot be a Christian and a Marxist. The new Communist thesis, given the Marxist premise, is irrational and illogical. It is one of the strangest and most significant things that has happened in the development of Communism in postwar Eastern Europe. What then is the explanation? The premises have changed. The Communist parties of Eastern Europe have thrown over their fundamental beliefs and old ideals, and adopted a Stalinist neo-Communism. A Stalinist need have no Marxist principles. It is better that he should have no principles of his own at all. For the Stalinist parties today are a strictly disciplined machine whose purpose it is to maintain the power and authority of privileged oligarchies—a hierarchy of oligarchies topped by the autocracy of Stalin himself. That is the deeper significance of the Polish and Czech decrees.

150,000 FINNS NOW ON STRIKE

SHARP ULTIMATUM TO COMMUNIST UNIONS

Helsinki, Aug. 19.—Fifty thousand more Finns walked off their jobs today in response to a Communist call for a general strike. They increased the total number of strikers to 150,000.

The Prime Minister, Karl Fagerholm, held an urgent conference with President Juho Paasikivi, reportedly to ask him to summon Parliament to an extraordinary session to cope with the growing strikes.

It was understood the President's meeting with the Premier and the inner circle of his Cabinet resulted in a decision to hold off further emergency action and await results of the sharply worded ultimatum by the Federation of Trade Unions.

The Federation threatened to expel all Communist-controlled unions if the strikes were not ended by Tuesday.

The Communists staged a noisy mass meeting in Helsinki to protest against the death of a striker in a clash with the police. The meeting, punctuated by shouts of "Kangas Fagerholm" and "Down with the bloody Cabinet," adopted a resolution demanding the withdrawal of troops from Kent and the right to hold mass meetings in the troubled port city.

TROOPS RUSHED

The Government contends that the Communists called the strikes in an attempt to seize power. The Government rushed troops into the northern timberlands in an attempt to discourage any further rioting such as took place one day and brought injuries to at least 10 persons yesterday.

Communist Party leaders called a huge meeting to protest against the strike's death. A battalion of crack troops took over Kent after a clash between police and 2,000 strikers, who sought to march on Jyväskylä, a town where Communist Party leaders were trying to break a log-jam. The police reported that the march was peaceful.

STANDSTILL

The union of lumbermen and floaters, which claims a membership of 13,000, struck today in support of the Kent strikers and asked some 50,000 non-union lumbermen to join them.

Ten thousand food industry workers struck last night. Walk-outs also were reported in the water pipes works and other industries. Previously, harbour, building, brewery and bakery workers had quit. Work was at a complete standstill in 15 of Finland's 17 harbours. Other projects also were idle. —United Press.

U.S. CANTON CONSULATE CLOSES

Canton, Aug. 19.—The U.S. Consulate-General here closed this afternoon, and the U.S. Embassy plans to go to Hongkong tomorrow due to the Communist advance.

The American Consulate is the only one to close. Under present plans, all four others—British, French, Dutch and Portuguese—intend to stay for the occupation, while foreign embassies plan to follow the Nationalist government, probably to Chungking.

All the more important archives of the Chinese Foreign Office, however, seem to be going to Formosa, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's island retreat, 100 miles off the coast.

TAYU CAPTURE

Acknowledging the Communist capture of Tayu, 170 miles Northeast of Canton, the Nationalist Defence Ministry said the situation on that front was unchanged. However, Tayu's fall leaves virtually open an easy valley road to Kung, 70 miles west. —Associated Press.

NEW BATTLE DRESS



A new combat suit for the British soldier to wear in the field will be tested during the next six months. It is an entirely new departure from the present clothing, and consists of a peaked cap, two-piece garment comprising smock and trousers (called a combat suit), a short greatcoat, a type of weatherproof cape called a "poncho" and all-weather high boots. The soldier above is wearing the complete outfit minus greatcoat. On the right is the greatcoat over uniform.

27 KILLED IN YORKSHIRE AIR DISASTER

Wreckage Scattered Over Foggy Moorland

Manchester, Aug. 19.—Twenty-seven persons were killed today when a British European Airways passenger liner and a civilian plane crashed 18 miles apart in fog-shrouded Yorkshire. BEA announced that 22 of the 32 passengers and crew aboard its airliner were killed, but another person died later, raising the death total to 23.



The BEA airliner, a twin-engine Dakota, crashed near Oldham. In addition to those killed, nine passengers were seriously injured. To the north, near Baildon, a Proctor aircraft crashed on a test flight. All four persons aboard were killed.

Both crash sites were in remote areas, hampering rescue operations and delaying official accounts.

The BEA crash was Britain's worst air disaster since July 1948, when an RAF Transport Command York aircraft collided with a Swedish plane over London's Northolt airport with the loss of 30 lives.

BURST INTO FLAMES
The BEA plane was en route from Belfast in Northern Ireland to Manchester. Among the first survivors carried by stretcher across three miles of bogland to Oldham were the Evans family—Horace, 34, his wife Ruth, 30,

and their son Stephen, aged five. Evans said: "Stephen was blasted through the window by the force of the crash."

He said the plane immediately burst into flames. Royal Air Force rescue squads from Buxton raced to the crash scene and used "walkie-talkie" mobile radios for communication in the foggy, treacherous moorlands and craggy hills.

Rescue squads at the crash scene reported babies and young children lying in the area. British European Airways in London said the plane carried six children, three of them under two years of age. It added that 16 women, seven men and three crew members also were aboard.

HUMAN CHAIN

Rescue workers said wreckage was scattered over three acres on the lonely, boulder-strewn hillside. Workers from a paper mill three-quarters of a mile from the scene formed a human chain to carry the injured down to the lowlands.

Most of the passengers were reported to be British. BEA is holding up the passenger list until the next of kin are informed. The Proctor aircraft crashed during a test flight from Yeolton Field in Yorkshire. A Brazilian was reported to have been piloting the plane.

As the BEA Dakota flew from Belfast to Manchester, it lost radio contact while "letting down" through dense clouds. Visibility at the time was described as "poor," with a heavy drizzle dropping from the dense clouds which completely blanketed the area.

Ambulances and fire apparatus from all surrounding towns rushed to the scene.—United Press.

Britain Taken By Surprise

London, Aug. 19.—Britain was not informed or consulted in advance about the American decision to permit direct relations between Japan and foreign countries, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

He said that the whole matter would have to be considered by the Foreign Office.

Usually well-informed quarters here believed that the British Government was taken by surprise by the Washington announcement, and that official quarters in Britain do not favour resumption of direct foreign relations between Japan and foreign countries at this stage.

The spokesman was asked whether it was within the competence of the United States to take a decision about the future of Japanese foreign relations without the agreement of the Far Eastern Commission as a whole.

He said that there was a provision which permitted the United States as the administering power in Japan to issue interim instructions in conditions of urgency.—Reuter.

POUND NOT TO BE DEVALUED

Washington, Aug. 19.—British officials here today flatly denied a report in the New York Journal of Commerce that Britain may be forced to devalue the Pound Sterling even before the Anglo-American-Canadian dollar shortage talks next month.

The officials said emphatically that the Pound Sterling would not be devalued before September, and added also that this should not be interpreted as meaning that there was any intention to devalue it after that date.

The United States Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, will preside over the Anglo-Canadian-American financial talks which are to open here on September 6. An official statement said that the purpose of the talks was "to discuss the balance of payments difficulties between the dollar and sterling areas and measures which could be taken to right the existing disequilibrium."—Reuter.

Abdullah Seeking British Support For Islamic Bloc

London, Aug. 19.—British officials believed today that the question of an Islamic bloc would figure prominently in the conferences here between British experts and King Abdullah of Transjordan, now on a visit to England.

Abdullah is expected to seek British support for such a group, which would include the Arab countries

of the Middle East and extend as far as Turkey and Pakistan.

The subject probably will be discussed with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin. While strongly favouring closer co-operation of Arab countries in the Middle East, Mr. Bevin is understood to be anxious to see the practicability of the new plan for Islamic grouping.

The prevailing view in Government circles is still that closer co-operation in the Middle East, particularly in the economic field, and systematic development of the territories for growing welfare and ultimate pacification of the region.

A warning from Sir Harold MacMichael, former High Commissioner of Palestine, that the Middle East nations should federate is being given close attention.

British support for formal incorporation of the Arab part of Palestine, now occupied by the Arab Legion, will be sought in the talks and, according to British sources, Mr. Bevin is generally disposed to support enlargement of Jordan.—United Press.

SYRIA RECOGNISED
Damascus, Aug. 19.—The Hashemite kingdom of the Jordan today officially recognised the new Syrian Government.—Reuter.

Master's Permit Cancelled

Capt. Albert Anderson Warild, master of the motor vessel Tai Fung which sank off Cheung Chau on August 3, had his Special Permit to sail as master of a British ship cancelled by the Marine Court of Inquiry today. The Court found Warild was grossly negligent in his duties.

MacDonald Going To Tokyo

Tokyo, Aug. 19.—Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-General in Southeast Asia, will visit Japan for talks with General MacArthur, Allied Commander there, and other senior Allied officials early next month, it was learned here today.

Mr. MacDonald is expected to arrive here by air on September 3 for about a week's visit.—Reuter.

Ku Klux Klan Chief Dead

Atlanta, Georgia, Aug. 19.—Dr. Samuel Green, Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, dropped dead tonight, his son stated here.—Reuter.

FLYING HOUSEWIFE RETURNS HOME

Prestwick, Scotland, Aug. 19.—Britain's "Flying Housewife," Mrs. Richards Morrow-Tait, came back today to her husband, Roe, and their three-year-old daughter after a 200-hour round-the-world flight which took her a year and a day.

She landed here with her navigator, 25-year-old Michael Townsend, after her flight which took her into cabaret and radio as well as on a lecture tour.

Her husband, who had stayed at home with baby, and who defended her against charges of "pandering" and "individualism," left their Cambridge home to meet her at Croydon Airport, near London. He was armed with a bouquet of flowers. He had telephoned his wife earlier.

MUCH BAD LUCK

Mrs. Morrow-Tait's flight was dogged by accidents, mechanical trouble and shortage of money. Her plane "Thursday's Child," was damaged on landing at one point, developed engine trouble at Cyprus, was laid up at Calcutta and finally had to be abandoned after a forced landing on the Alaska Highway on November 24, 1948.

For five months she sang, lectured, broadcast and did odd jobs in Canada and the United States to earn money for a new aircraft.

Finally, she defied the Canadian Government's warning that her new aircraft was unsafe and started the trip across the Atlantic on August 12.

TO SETTLE DOWN

Mrs. Morrow-Tait later landed at Croydon and was met by her husband and three-year-old daughter, Anna.

The couple exchanged kisses for the first time for a year and a day. The "Flying Housewife" said that she was going to settle down, and would later write a book.—Reuter.



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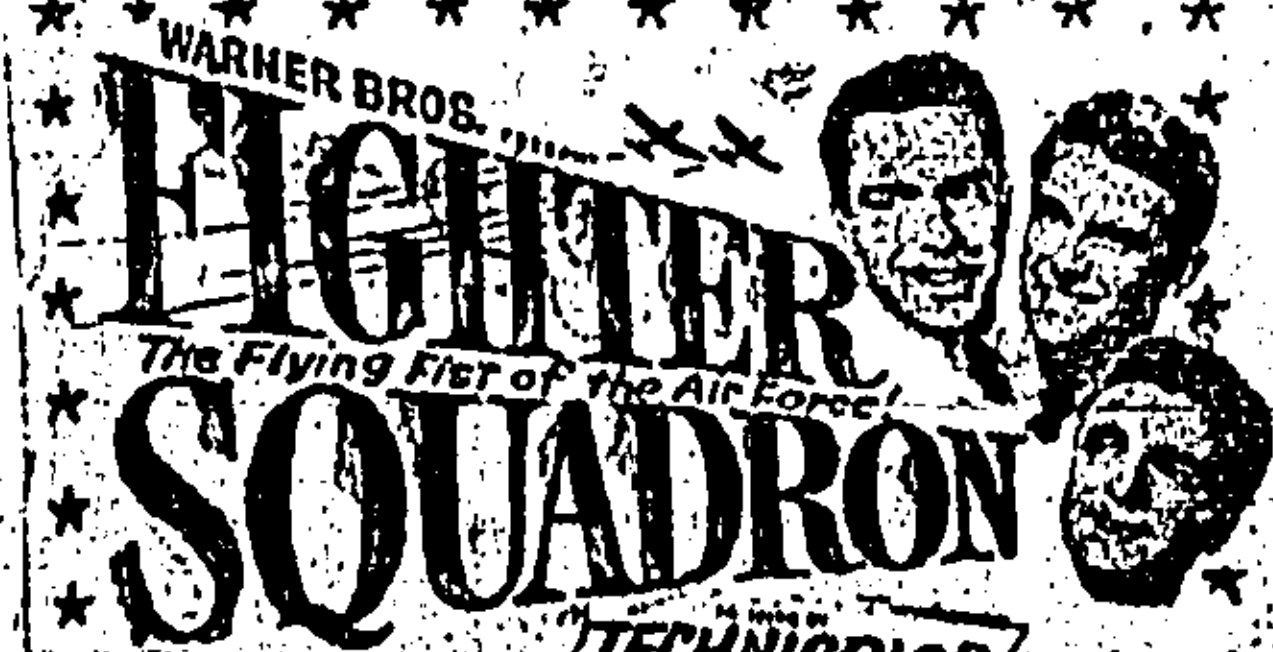


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THE DUCHESS MEETS MISS AMERICA



Visiting Pinewood Studios, "Miss America, 1949," Miss Bebe Shopp, was introduced to the Duchess of Kent.

The Duchess, who was accompanied by her sister and brother-in-law, Count and Countess Torring, was there to see Noel Coward (in the centre) filming scenes of "The Astonished Heart" in which he stars with Cella Johnson and Margaret Leighton.

On the "Golden Salamander" set the Duchess was introduced to Anouk, the young French actress who is co-starring with Trevor Howard, and she watched Ann Todd taking part in the trial scenes of "Madeleine."

The Duchess was wearing gaily coloured raffia sandals, a tartan skirt and a blue silk blouse.—AP Wirephoto.

CHILD STAR FARCE IS TO END

By STEPHEN WATTS

THE FARCICAL LEGAL SITUATION OF CHILDREN ACTING IN BRITISH FILMS—THEY ARE FLATLY BANNED UNDER 15—IS SHORTLY TO END, I UNDERSTAND.

Any law that is winked at is a bad one and ought to go. There must have been a score of child actors in British films in the past year. The pseudo-secrecy during production has been absurd.

How could "Oliver Twist," "Vice Versa," "Treasure Island," or D.H. Lawrence's "Rocking Horse Winner" be filmed without children?

How many people watching with pleasure the performance of little Bobby Henrey in "Fallen Idol" realised that his being there was strictly illegal?

She couldn't cry

Latest defiance (knowing it to be perfectly safe) comes from Associated British, who frankly announce that the biggest role in their forthcoming Rosamund John—Leo Genn film, "No Place for Jennifer," is played by ten-year-old Janette Scott.

Janette is a happy child, unaccustomed to tears. In the film she has to cry. The director eventually told her sweets were being rationed again—and from that point of depression tears were easy.

This slight, blonde girl has made a remarkable quick-time reputation for herself as a real actress.

Now we first saw her, in the Swedish "Frenzy," she was a dissipated adolescent. Then, in her first English film, "Frieda," she was a German war bride. On the stage she was brilliant as a school-girl in Ibsen's "Wild Duck."

Now while she appears in another Swedish film, "Iris," at the Academy, she is at Denham starring in "The Romantic Age"—as a finishing-school hussy.

Her big chance

When the stars go on holiday, the lesser lights get a chance. The little role in "The Heiress"—the best feminine part on the West End stage—vacated for a month by Peggy Ashcroft, is now being admirably played by Pauline Jameson. A season ago she was a minor member of the Old Vic.

Whose idea was it?—Peggy Ashcroft's.

Any list of leading stars of British films must include Mai Zetterling. Yet two or three years ago she and I carried on our first conversation with great difficulty, for she spoke little English and my Swedish is confined to "Skol"—if that is even Swedish.

If you have an eerie sense of familiarity when you see some forthcoming Hollywood films I can tell you why.

Hollywood is on a binge of remakes.

Bernard Shaw & A Powder Puff

By MILTON SHULMAN

In "The Apple Cart," which Malvern first saw exactly 20 years ago, Bernard Shaw emits large chunks of verbal lava about such topics as the role of constitutional monarch and Anglo-American relations.

In between he devotes about 20 minutes to the problem of infidelity. This enables the much-discussed transformation of Miss Frances Day from revue artist to legitimate actress to take place.

The stuffy butterfly that floats about the stage may be called Orinthia in the programme, but she remains essentially Miss Frances Day.

She pouts prettily, plays coyly, with a quill pen and tussles with the king on the carpet.

As she grapples with her Shavian lines, I somehow felt she would have been more at home, had she been able to sing them accompanied by a soft-shoe dance.

When her interlude was over, it was as if I had been pleasantly tickled by a cosy, but noisy, powder puff. I'm not sure that this was exactly what Shaw had in mind.

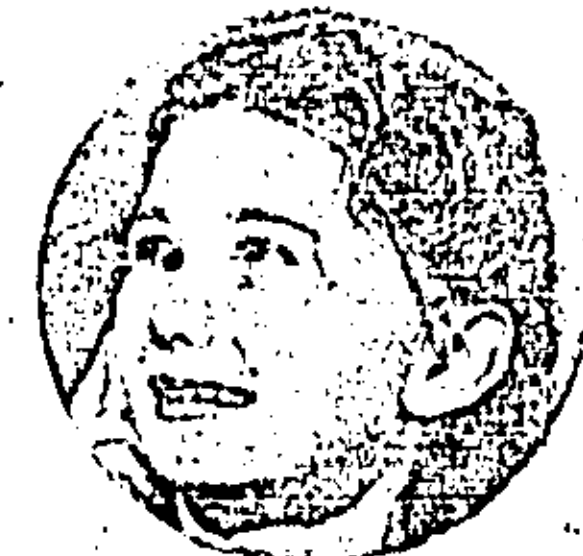
As for the rest, the king and his Cabinet, grouped together like something out of Madame Tussaud's, talked, talked and talked about whether a monarch has the right to save his country against the will of its popularly elected rulers.

dear old England—can last for ever. Progress, you know, sir, progress, progress.

Because "The Apple Cart" is brimming with Shavian wit it cannot help but be a stimulating and enjoyable evening. The Malvern production is competent but far from inspired.

Donald Eccles, as King Magnus, looks more like a successful city broker than a monarch who could make logical mincemeat out of England's democratic rulers.

John Longden, as the Prime Minister, and Mollie Moss, as a proletarian Minister, are



Janette Scott

For instance, Betty Grable is making "Wabash Avenue." Six years ago she made "Coney Island." Same thing, with some song changes.

Remember "Tall, Dark and Handsome," with Cesar Romero? Now, eight years later, it is called "Turned Up Ties," and Romero is doing it all over again.

Star at 57

Fifty-seven-year-old operatic bass Ezio Pinza is such a success in Broadway's biggest musical hit, "South Pacific," that a lot of handsome young actors are worried. Middle-aged matinee idols are a dangerous trend.

Now, inevitably, Hollywood has grabbed Pinza. He is to co-star with Greer Garson. There will be a great welcome for one pair of stars at a London midnight matinee next month.

They have long been loved in this country and never before seen together in the flesh. Nancy Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers.

There is a Red Indian girl in a new James Stewart film in Technicolor. The actress chosen has blue eyes. Indians have brown.

So though you might think there are plenty of brown-eyed beauties about, this poor girl is having to wear brown plastic contact lenses.

The Week's Screen Fare

Key Largo (KING'S & LEE) is the pick of the week although it bears little resemblance to the play by Maxwell Anderson on which it is based. The play saw Broadway a good decade ago before the era of returning war-veterans.

Though Hollywood has moved the play about to suit its own purposes, the final dish has turned out to be in the best gangster and 'disillusioned strong man' finding something to fight for tradition.

With Bogart and Bacall, Edward G. Robinson and Lionel Barrymore thrown in, it becomes first class screen entertainment. But the picture will, perhaps, be best remembered for the introduction of Claire Trevor to a genuinely dramatic role that gives her considerable scope. She has done so well as the whiskey-soaked torch singer that it won her the Academy Award for the best feminine supporting performance last year.

Apartment for Pezzy (ROXY) is easy entertainment with such invariably lovable screen characters in it as Jennie Crain and Edmund Gwenn.

Britain's Film Stars To Be Paid Less Money

Film folk are going to have to get along with a little less money. But many may wonder just how great a hardship that will be. Here are some facts about figures.

All British film stars are checking on accounts and expenditure as they face the salary cuts proposed by the British Film Producers' Association.

And they don't seem to mind—much. Michael Wilding voices a fairly general opinion when he says: "Whatever you earn, you can only keep about £4,500 a year. So I don't care."

Most wage-earners would tremble at the suggestion of a cut. But then most of us—we are human after all—think that we are worth more than we are paid already.

But the general idea, among bosses, still seems to be "Is the labourer worthy of his hire?" and alas it comes down to £ s. d. v. work.

The Second Sea Lord and Chief of Naval Personnel is worth £3,350 a year. That's the Government rate for the job. And the Governor of Papua rates £1,800.

Jean Simmons and Margaret Lockwood are worth between £20,000 and £30,000 a year. And if they get it, it is because film fans and the queuing "one and pines" make it worth the producers' while.

England's Lord Chief Justice is paid £8,000 a year—not in the £30,000 a year class of Sir Laurence Olivier. The Governor of Dartmoor crawls down, comparatively speaking, to about £1,150 worth of work per annum.

Even he is living in a realm of fancy and fairy gold to the assistant librarian earning £108 and who hasn't yet reached income tax worries.

Jobs advertised offer a hospital cleaner a starting salary of £330 a year, a research assistant £400, a clerk £385. And a list of qualifications is demanded. The research assistant, for instance, must hold an Honours degree in Economics or Sociology, the clerk must have a School Certificate plus a knowledge of bookkeeping.

What do applicants think of their worth by comparison with the Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue, who draws £3,500?

The charwoman earning 2s. an hour may well smile at Christine Norden, one of the stars upset about the salary cuts, who threatens: "If my earnings are cut, I shall have to do a spot of charring."

Is a civil engineer in Malaya paid £602 a year, worth about the same as a BBC engineer earning a maximum of £680? And how do both compare with our present valuation of Cabinet Ministers at £5,000 per annum?

From typists earning £3 10s. a week who dream of becoming private secretaries at £9 to film stars with the pay of four Cabinet Ministers, all have a value in £ s. d. worth on the open market. There is no exception. Feminists will hasten to point out that the housewife combines a little of most jobs, and more hours than most; unpaid, unhonoured and un-sung.

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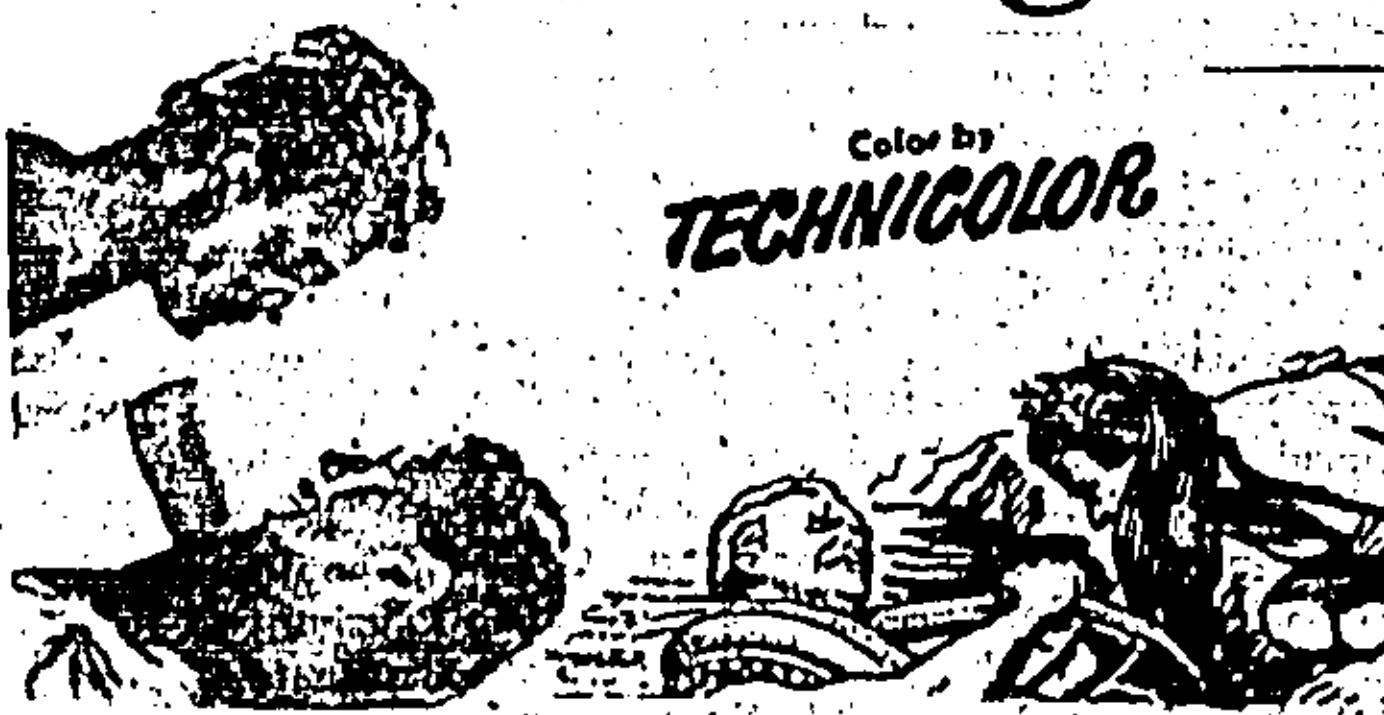
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YOUR RADIO LISTENING FOR NEXT WEEK IN DETAIL—A "TELEGRAPH" FEATURE

Shakespeare's "Tragedy Of Coriolanus" Over Radio Hongkong On Thursday

Highlight of the week over Radio Hongkong will be Sir Lewis Casson's production of William Shakespeare's "The Tragedy of Coriolanus" in the World Theatre series on Thursday from 9.11 p.m.

Dame Sybil Thorne, who is Lady Casson, is featured in the role of Volumnia. There is no more distinguished pair in the British theatre today than Sir Lewis and Dame Sybil.

Both have been honoured for their services to the stage, and they have shared many triumphs since the days when they were both members of the famous Horniman Repertory Company at Manchester. Only recently they ended their long run of J. B. Priestley's play, "The Linden Tree," at the Duchess Theatre in London.

The Coriolanus in this production is Bruce Befrage. He left the stage in the 1930s to join the staff of the BBC, and was well-known as a news reader in the early part of the war until he left to join the RNVR. It was he who was reading the news on the famous occasion when millions of listeners heard a bomb hit Broadcasting House.

On Tuesday, at 7.25 p.m., Aileen Woods will present some excerpts from "South Pacific." This musical play has scored one of the biggest successes ever known on Broadway, even beating "Oklahoma," "Carousel" and "Allegro," with the music by the same composer, Richard Rodgers, and the lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II.

Mary Martin, after three years' absence from Broadway, is the star, with Ezio Pinza, the famous bass singer, who makes his first appearance on the legitimate stage, apart from the Metropolitan Opera. The story won the Pulitzer Prize for 1948, and it takes place in the South Pacific during a lull in the fighting against the Japanese.

Tonight

12.30 HONG KONG CALLING—PROGRAMME SUMMARY.

12.35 VARIETY HANDBOOK

From the Golden Green Hippodrome, London.

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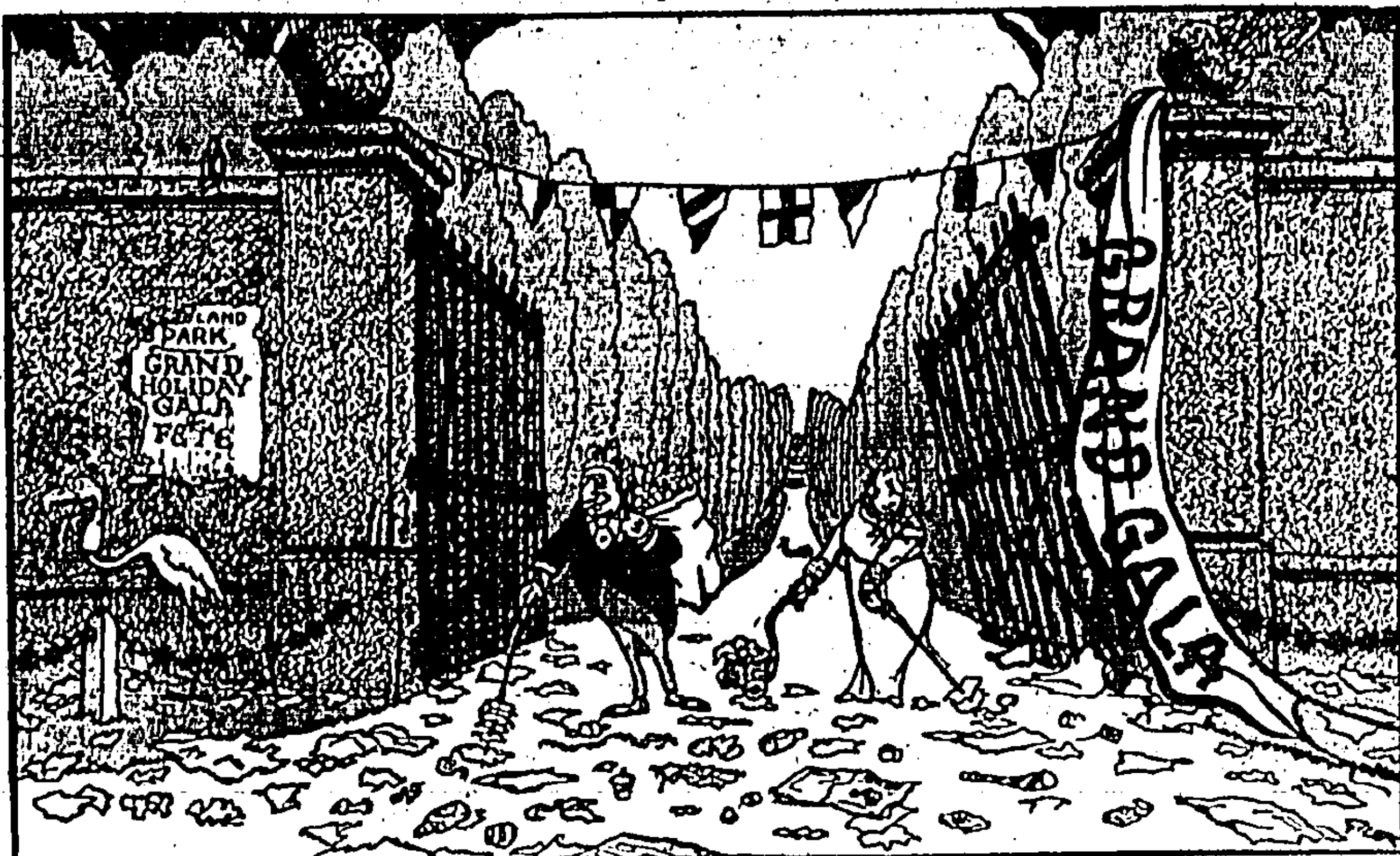
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"Rodney, a man called this morning, and said if we're doing the cleaning up after the Gala we'll have to join the Sweepers' and Sanitary Workers' Union."

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BY CHAPMAN PINCHER

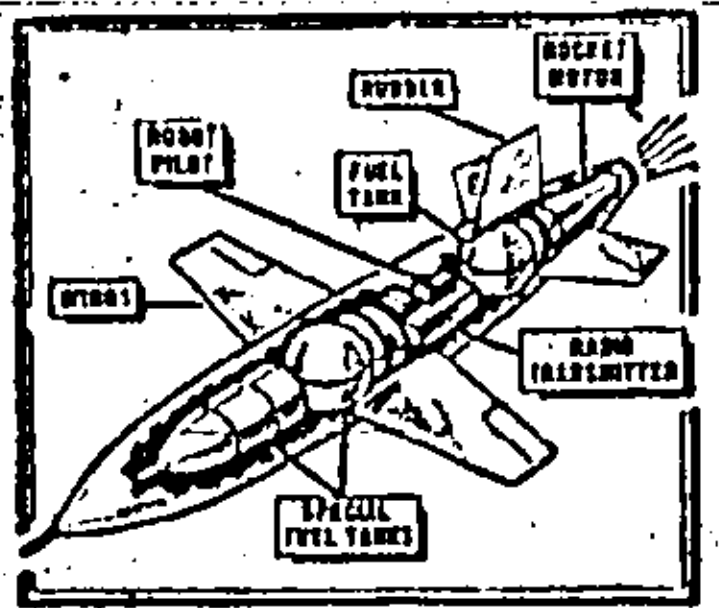
BRITAIN is expected to gain a clear lead in the race to develop faster-than-sound planes, following a great advance in air research at the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough.

For the first time scientists have flown a robot aircraft in a straight and level flight at a speed far above that of sound—750 miles an hour.

The robot—a £20,000 flying laboratory packed with secret equipment—touched 850 miles an hour. And throughout its flight it radiated back to the scientists exact details of what happens in a winged machine when it passes through the sound barrier.

With this information, which will be kept secret, engineers can go ahead with the design of super-speed jet planes.

Four months ago Squadron-Leader John Derry flew a de Havilland Swallow jet plane at 700 miles an hour. But this was during a power dive. It told the scientists nothing about air conditions in level supersonic flight.



THE FLYING LABORATORY is packed with secrets

Credit for the achievement goes chiefly to three men:—

1. Sir Den Lockspeller, chief scientist of the Supply Ministry who devised the robot experiments.

2. Mr Barnes Neville Wallis, of Vickers-Armstrongs, the designer. He also invented the still-secret weapon which breached the Ruhr dams.

3. Mr W. G. A. Ferring, head of the Royal Aircraft Establishment, who supervised the tests.

The robot—a stubby, 11ft. long machine weighing 900lb.—was launched seven miles above the Scilly Isles from a Mosquito aircraft.

Observers in a jet Meteor watched it glide gracefully for 15 seconds, and then break across the sky as its rocket motor took over.

Immediately, excited scientists on the ground began to receive signals from pressure-tubes, accelerometers, strain-gauges, and other instruments located in the wings and fuselage.

These signals, when deciphered, showed how the machine was passing up to the stresses of passing through the transonic region—550 to 750 miles an hour—when the smooth flow of the air suddenly becomes turbulent and threatens to break up the plane.

The flight of the robot was also tracked by radar and photographed from the Meteor.

After flying for several minutes it was deliberately nose-dived into the Channel. Aircraft and shipping had been warned to keep clear. The scientists made their first robot attempt to crash

the sound barrier more than a year ago. It failed because the machine was accidentally damaged and repaired too hurriedly.

Later launchings stopped because the fuel froze at the 80-below-zero temperatures met at 40,000ft. Experiments were held up until the fuel problem was solved.

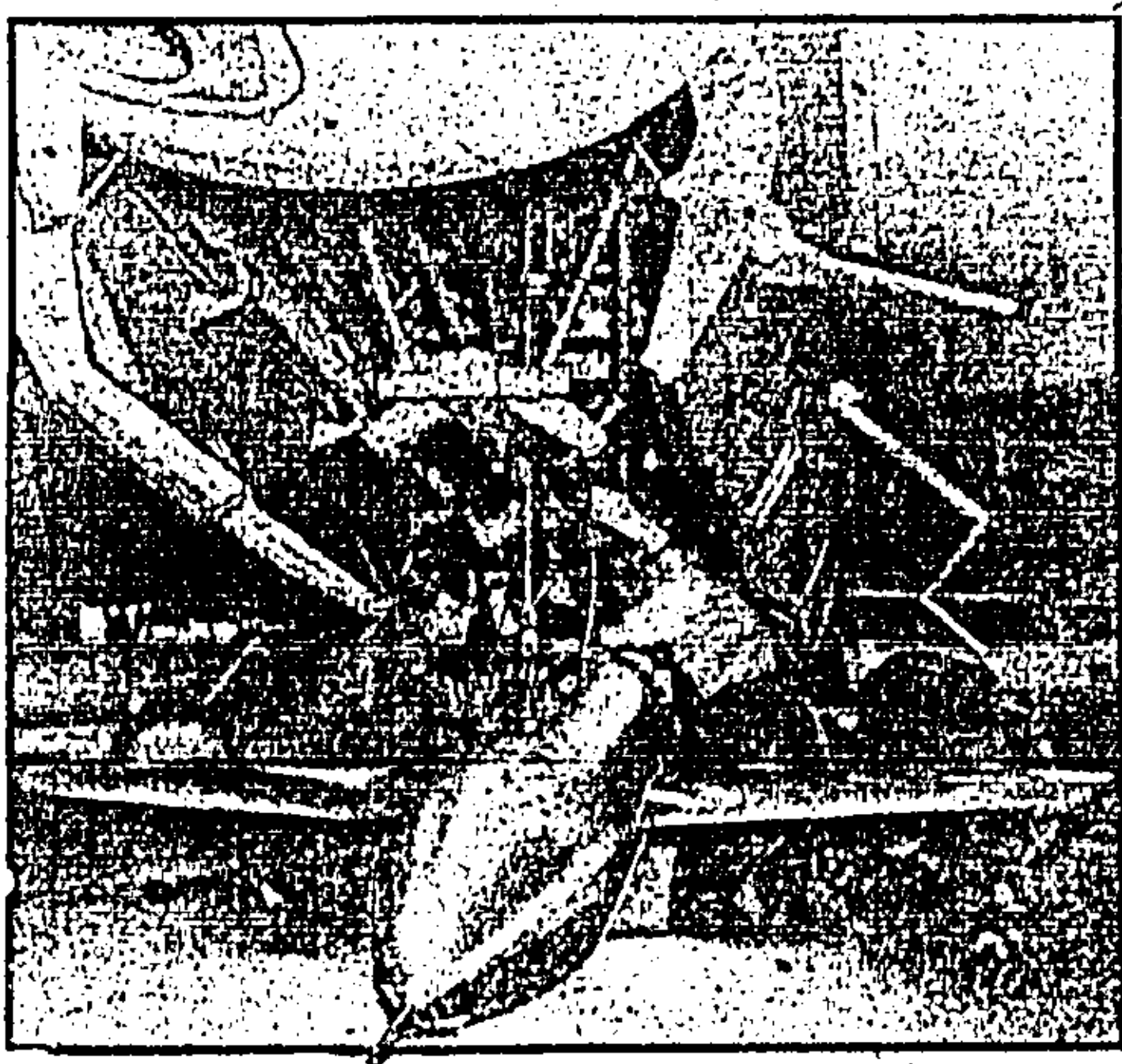
Meanwhile U.S. piloted aircraft pierced the sound barrier. But the British scientists claim they are gaining far more vital information from their robots.

More will be launched. The experiments are costing more than £500,000.

(London Express Service)



ROBOT-LOADING Its build—stubby.



ELGIN MARBLES IN NEW SETTING

On view soon at British Museum



NOVEMBER 1948. The journey back from Aldwych Tube



AUGUST 1949 The Marbles Unpacked

THE world-renowned Elgin Marbles will once more be on view to the public at the British Museum soon.

And they will have an entirely new setting, quite different from the drab grey surroundings of before the war. The gallery of the series of sculptured stones which once formed the frieze of the Parthenon in Athens has been repainted in a scheme of off-white and blue.

The replacement of the Elgin Marbles, which were stored for safety during the war in a disused underground railway station, has taken several months.

2,400 Years.

They were designed by the sculptor Phidias in the fifth century B.C. as part of the decoration of the Temple of Athena the Virgin on top of the Acropolis.

When the Turks overran Greece in 1450 the temple was converted into a mosque. Later it was made an arsenal, and during a bombardment by the Venetians in 1687 an exploding shell blew the roof off.

Piccolleal

The great frieze was in course of time carried away piecemeal, and part of it was taken by the French Ambassador Choiseul-Gouffier in 1780, and is now in the Paris Louvre.

The sculptures called 'the Elgin Marbles' were acquired in the early 1800's by Lord Elgin. They were bought by the State from him by Act of Parliament for £25,000 and given to the British Museum.

(London Express Service)

Supposing you were behind the counter

... just supposing you had joined Bernard Wickstead answering questions for tourists to Britain. How good would you have been at answering questions like these:

1. Where in England did George Washington's family come from?
2. Does an overseas visitor need a ration book?
3. Where is Chequers, the Prime Minister's home?
4. What is the correct name for Westminster Abbey?
5. Where in Trafalgar-square is Nelson buried?
6. Where did Eisenhower live in Britain?

Answers below



What d'you want to know, Bud?

by BERNARD WICKSTEED

I EXPECT you read about the Princess and the Americans. Two of them walked into the Information Centre run by the Travel Association in Leicester-square, W.C.2, to ask about trains to Stratford-on-Avon, and found themselves talking to a young woman behind the counter who turned out to be Princess Elizabeth.

Well, I can tell you something else. Two more Americans walked into the Centre the following day to ask for a map of the Underground, and who do you think they found themselves talking to? A fat little man who turned out to be a newspaper writer.

Both the Princess and the reporter (guess who) had gone to the Centre for the same reason—to find out what sort of things the tourists want to know and what sort of answers they get.

Every foreign visitor landing in this country is given a folder with "Welcome to Britain" on the cover, and a lot of useful things to know inside.

One of the most helpful of these is the address of the Centre, plus a map showing how you can get there.

My inquiry

I THOUGHT a good way to find out what sort of place it was would be to go round incognito with some bogus inquiry. So I went in, and told a receptionist that I was a vegetarian and wanted to make a meatless tour of England.

"Certainly, sir," she said, and produced a file of vegetarian hotels. "Now then, let's see, you could start off at Bognor and go on to Bournemouth, Hiramcombe, Bide, Minehead, Bath..."

"That's fine," I said, showing my card. "But supposing I'd said I was a dog lover?"

In a flash she was back with a file of hotels that served dinners for dogs. Canterbury, Lyndhurst, Honiton, Falmouth...

After that I sought out the manager, who gave me permission to stand behind the

counter and answer a few queries myself.

The first person who came up to me was a Canadian who wanted to buy some bagpipes. "I suppose I'll have to go to Scotland for them?" he said.

"On the contrary," I answered, getting out the bagpipes file. "Many of them are made in London—just by the Tube station at Camden Town."

"It seems there's a family there that has been making them for three generations. The black wood for the pipes comes from West Africa as ballast, the ivory from the Congo, the reeds from Spain, and the windbags from English sheep. The only parts from Scotland are the silk ribbons and the tartan."

"Anything else you want to know about bagpipes? The price? Certainly. It ranges from £10 to £200, according to how much ivory and silver you want."

Swedish tears

THE Canadian went off with a glint in his eye. Somehow I don't think the people in the flat above are going to like him very much when he gets home.

Next to me along the counter one of the girls was talking to an American couple who wanted to stay somewhere near London where there was good walking. When she suggested some place on the South Downs, the Americans said: "Downs? What are they?"

"Downs?" repeated the girl, who had used the word all her life. Oh, well, they are sort of hills, you know.

"For gosh sake," said the visitors. "If you call the hills downs, what do you call the valleys? Ups?"

Out came the Oxford Dictionary, and all four of us learned for the first time of the old English word "Dun," meaning a hill. Hence downs and dunes.

Naturally, all the questions are not as interesting as these. For an hour or so you may get a run of more routine inquiries. Where can I get tickets for the International Horse Show? (Answer: From a theatre agency or the White City direct.)

American Negroes Said Not Faring Badly

By ROBERT BRANSON

NEW DELHI—An American Negro editor says a trip from Washington to India has convinced him that colour discrimination is harsher in the United States than most other countries, but that American Negroes are "mighty fortunate" even so.

P. L. Prattis, executive editor of the Negro weekly, Pittsburgh Courier, explained that during a six-month tour of Europe, the Middle East and Asia, he found "no place where there is more active, open prejudice against human beings on account of their colour than in the United States."

Prattis, who had lunched earlier in the day with Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, leaned back in an armchair in his room at one of New Delhi's best hotels. It was a big, comfortable room with electric fans and a thick carpet.

Living Good in U.S.

"You think I could get a room like this in Washington?" he asked. "I have been to no capital of any country which practices the kind of discrimination you find in Washington."

On the other hand, Prattis said as far as living standards were concerned, American Negroes were "far better off" in general than coloured people he had met abroad.

"From the economic point of view, the United States is the best country with the best future for the Negro," the editor said. "Wages are good and there's plenty of food for everybody. You certainly can't say that about most of the places I've been."

Prattis said he had found Nehru "a very impressive man."

Nehru Sincere

"He talked mostly about the hunger and low standard of living in India," Prattis said. "But it wasn't just high-sounding politician's talk. He sounded as though the problem really hurt him, and as though he would give everything to solve it."

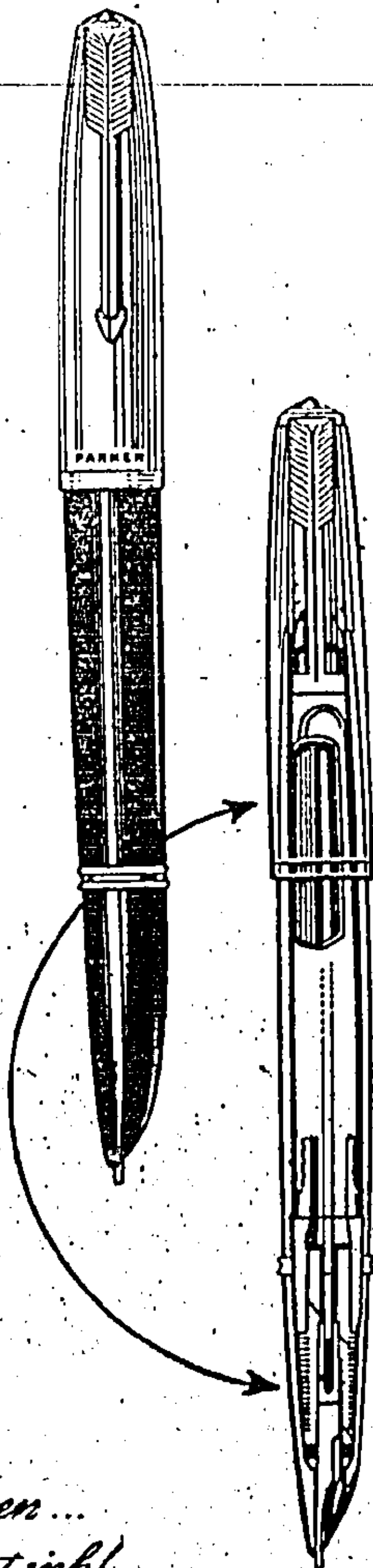
Prattis said Nehru apparently was "a great admirer" of Paul Robeson, and wanted to know when the Negro singer was going to visit India.

"He said Paul had been promising to come out here for 11 years," Prattis added.

Since he left Pittsburgh last January, Prattis has visited England, France, Germany, Italy, Greece, Egypt, Israel (at the invitation of Dr Ralph Bunche) and India.—United Press.

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C. V. R. THOMPSON The Left is out for the right men

NEW YORK. A GENERAL election is coming up in the U.S. too, and organised labour says that it will "campaign as never before."

But American labour is not interested in Socialism or nationalisation. It is aiming for a million-dollar (£250,000) cutting fund merely to get the "right" men into Congress, or rather, the wrong men, out. Its main object is to prevent the re-election of four men. Top target is Senator Robert Taft, author of an anti-strike law, which President Truman promised but failed to repeal.

If he is not beaten, labour leaders fear they may not be able to prevent him being elected President in 1952.

Others they are after are three right-wing senators who have always backed Taft.

Methods labour will use have been tried out recently in a near miss at upsetting another foe, Senator Harry Byrd, of Virginia.

To overcome rank-and-file apathy, labour politicians have adapted the technique of the give-away radio programmes. Every election voter is asked to post a card to union headquarters.

And the postcards are put into a draw for savings certificates, Southern pens, wrist watches, and tyres.

In the big fight, the prizes will be more attractive—refrigerators, electric stoves, bedroom suites and other things.

CUSTOMERS of Sam Atkins, a owner of a down-and-outers' bar in New York's Bowery, showed their gratitude to him for bringing back threeponny beer. They presented him with a diamond-studded gold wristwatch they had bought by subscription.

WISERACK used by President Truman to show his confidence that better times are ahead; Even the Wall Street Journal (full of gloom over Truman's "Socialism") says there is an improvement.

HOUSES now being scarce in the U.S. a Boston chemical company has announced the good news that it had found a way of making "horseshoe" from cows.

CHEWING-GUM sales abroad are the highest ever, in spite of dollar shortages, said Washington today. Last year they were worth £11 million. Britain's share—£25.

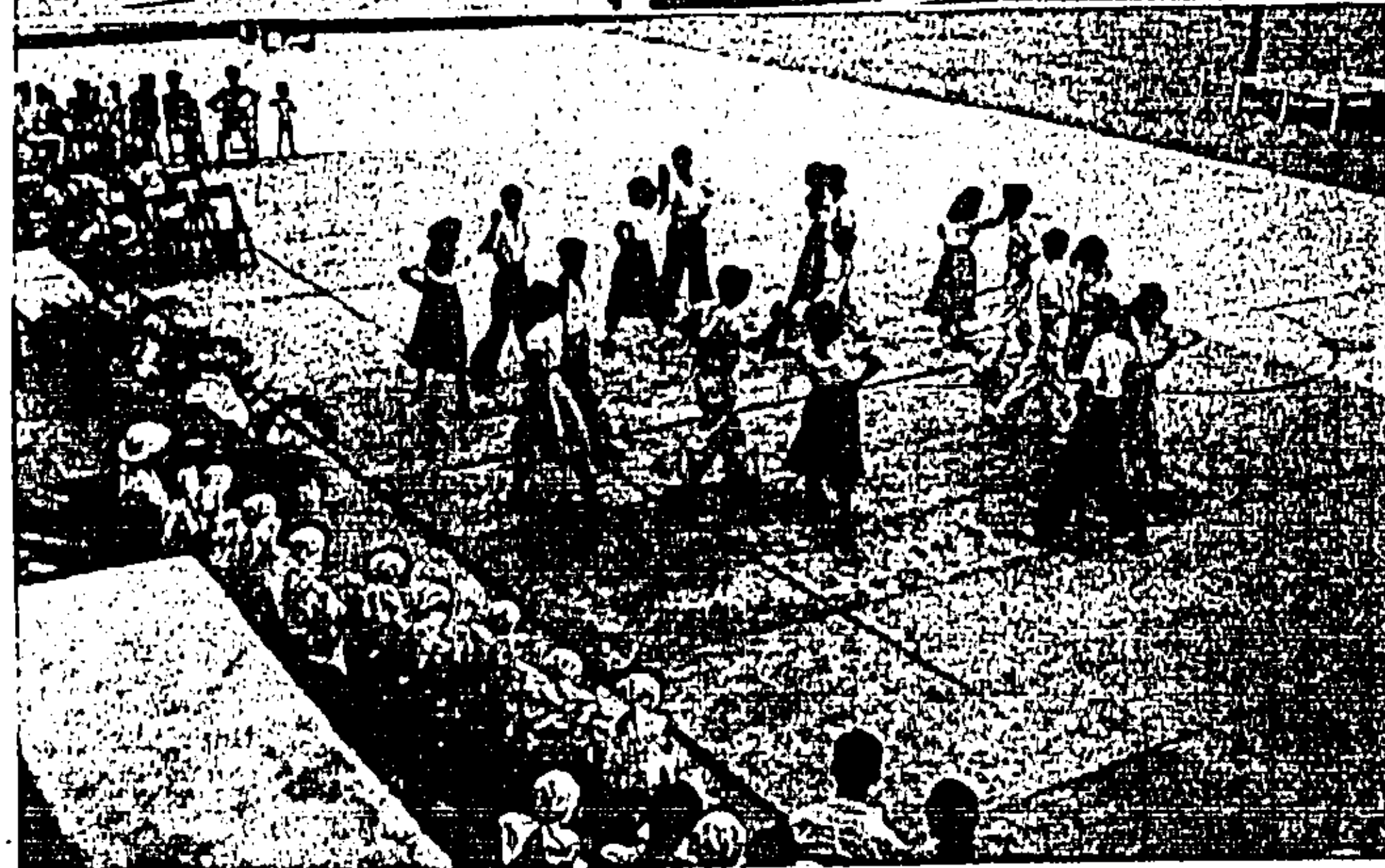
INCOME TAX, already paid by most Americans to their State as well as to their Federal Government, may soon be demanded by their cities as well. San Francisco, Philadelphia, Toledo, St. Louis, and several smaller cities are considering a one-per-cent tax.



THE second anniversary of Indian independence was celebrated by the Hongkong Indian community at a reception held at the Hongkong Hotel. Lady Grantham and Lady Gibson are seen above with a group of ladies. Above right: honouring a toast are (from left) Mr H. M. Parwani, Mr P. Vaswani, Mr J. H. Ruttonjee and HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham. Right: some of those attending the reception. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MR Chou Mou, son of Mr Chou Lu, former president of the National Sun Yat-sen University, and Miss Lansay Chit, who were married in Canton last Sunday, photographed above with Mr Yu Ya-jen, former president of the Control Yuan. Right: the newlyweds photographed before a scroll presented by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. (Francis Wu)



THE first anniversary of resumption of activities since the war was observed at the Kowloon Chinese YMCA last Sunday. Top picture shows Mr Robert Der inspecting scouts and nurses. Lower photo shows a dance which formed part of the outdoor entertainment programme. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

RIGHT: Mr Leonard Benjamin Smith and Miss Isobel Morison Hutchison, who were married at St John's Cathedral last Saturday. (Ming Yuen)



GROUP taken after the wedding at St Teresa's Church last Sunday of Mr Antonio Bayot and Miss Maria de Lourdes de Meneses. In the upper picture, Mr and Mrs Bayot receive good wishes from friends. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

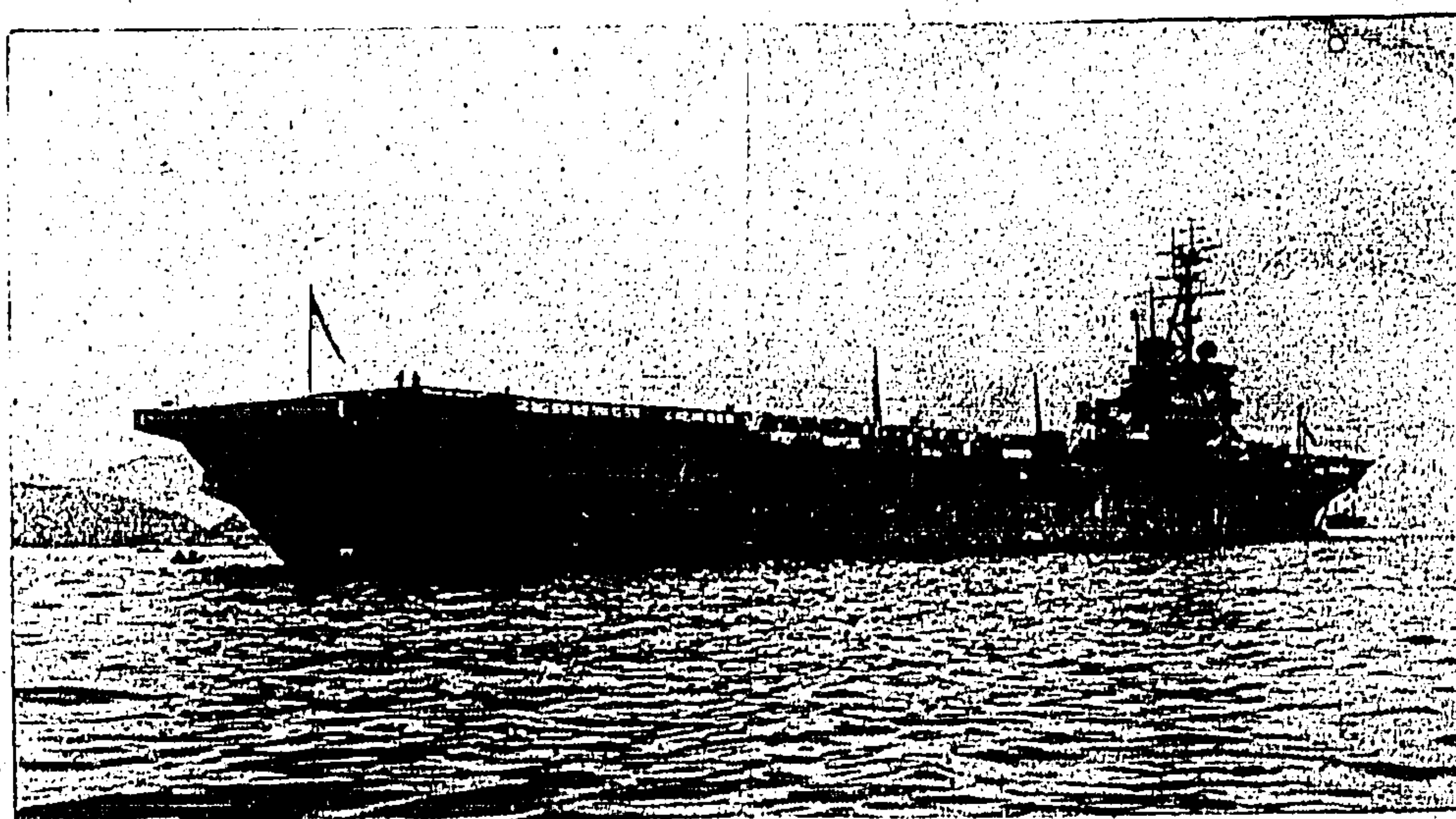
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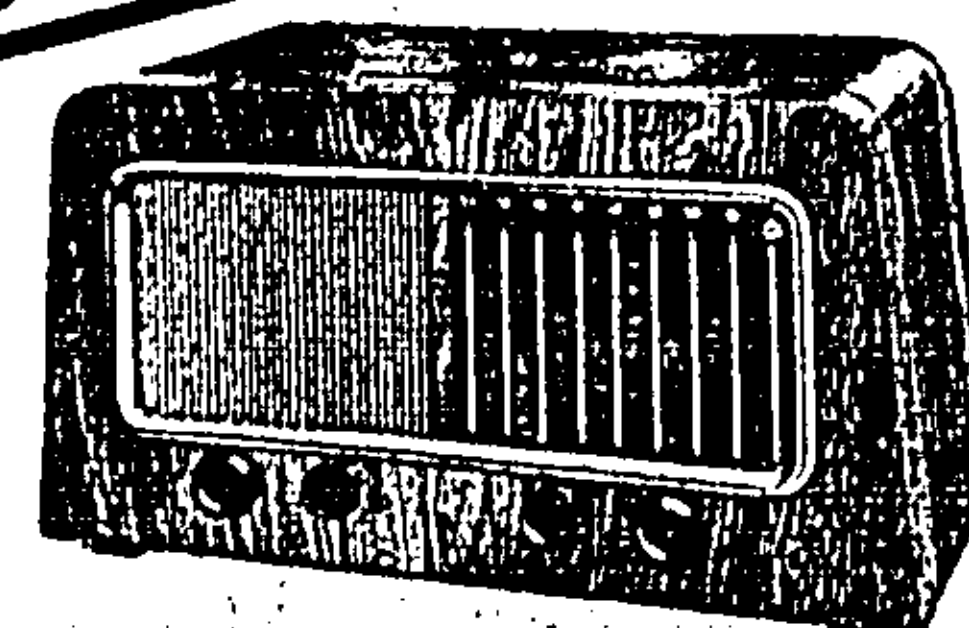
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AN excellent picture of the light fleet carrier Ocean on her arrival here last Saturday. She brought No. 80

Spitfire Squadron to Hongkong. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

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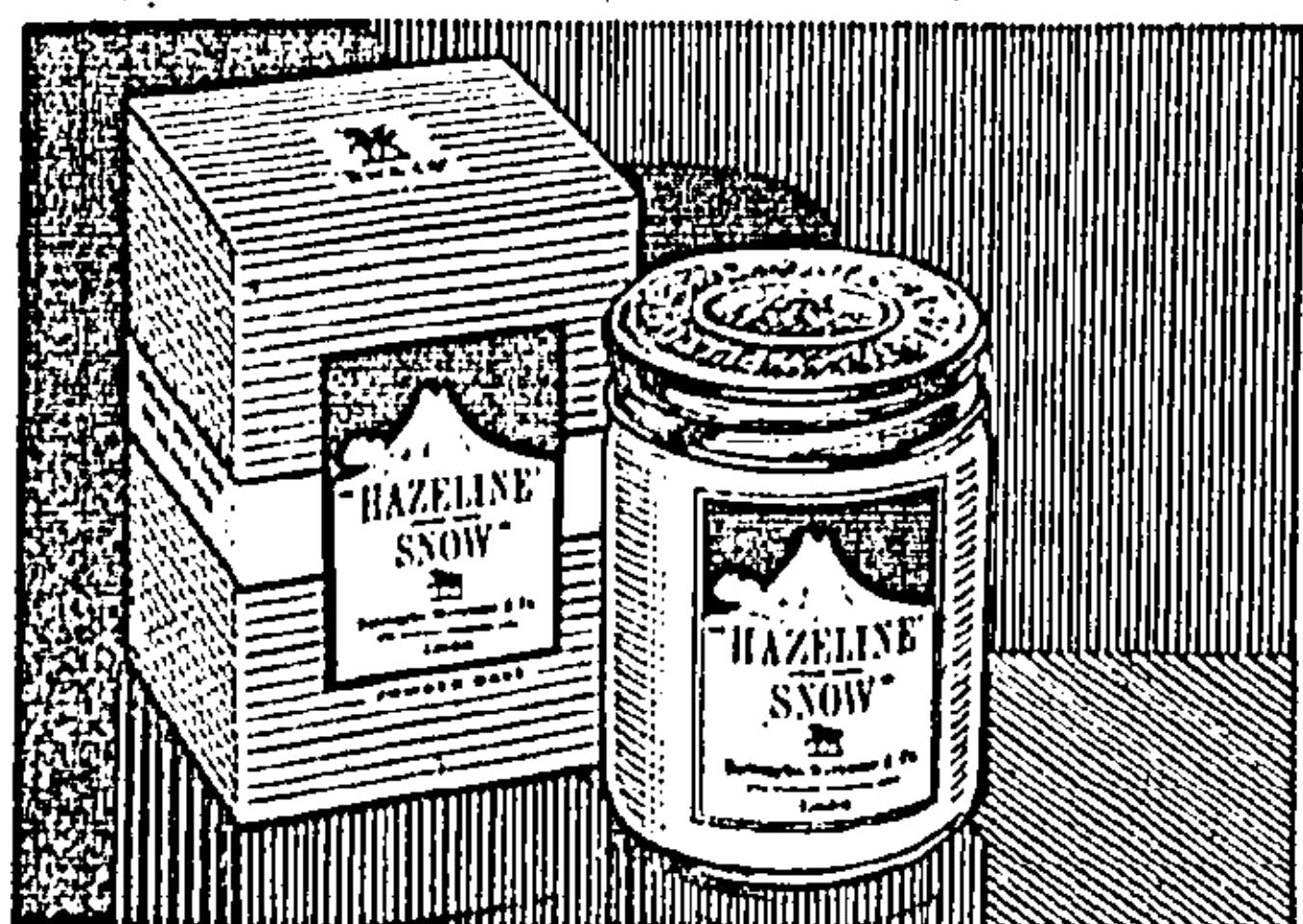
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**EILEEN ASCROFT
sums up the big London
fashion shows**

THE London Line for autumn will be shorter, sleeker, higher at the neck, with covered shoulders for evening, disturbed hemlines, natural shoulders and waists, fascinating detail work and lavish embroidery.

Chief controversy among designers appears to be the length of the day-time skirt. Some say 13in from the ground, others 14in, and a few back to the Dior summer Paris length of 15in.

My feeling is that the short skirt will prevail and that you'll be shortening your hems to 15in, this winter.

Other controversial angles are the short hobble skirt (introduced by Molynoux), the evening train and the chin-high blouse.

I cannot see English women adopting any of these fashion extremes. The slim skirt with concealed fulness will be more popular; also an evening dress which is practical for dancing, and a blouse designed for comfort.

The new season's colours will be bottle green, bachelor carnation red, brown, shades of chestnut, copper, cinnamon, ginger and bronze, pewter and blue mink for day wear. Night shades are mostly pastels...ash rose, foxglove pink, hazel, flex green, petrol and mad violet.

Materials are rich looking. Lots of velvet, real silk, feather-weight wools and satins and brocade.

Newcomers are a crinkle nylon, named Breitschweiz, after more lamb which it resembles; dragonfly brocade, nylon pout and organza, and Wei Chu silk and Matlasse, which both have a quilted appearance.

Although the "Top Eleven" London dress designers have no really revolutionary fashion changes in their export collections, their clothes are wearable, elegant and beautifully

The DIOR touch

Christian Dior's 15in hemline, which he has introduced in the shorter skirts, controls all over with jet beads and requires a style popular in the London Autumn shows. The broken hemline (right) is another important feature of Dior's collection. Dior's afternoon gown of pink tulle and silk panels with long lengths. Both dresses were designed for Marlene Dietrich to wear in her new Hitchcock film.

tailored, with embroidery and accessories more elegant than they have been for years.

Hardy Amies introduces the Envelope Skirt, 15in, from the ground, bone straight, with single or double flaps which wrap over at the back to cover the zipped placket and side slits, which allow room to walk.

His formal town suits are decorated with velvet, bead, sequin or braid embroidery. Evening dresses have draped shawl collars, many have sleeves. Attractive hat is the Dutch Bonnet Cloche, worn with suits, afternoon dresses, and even with a wedding dress, carried out in white and silver brocade.

Peter Russell makes jackets 2in longer and gives overcoats "Hug-me-Tight" collars, which cuddle the chin or unbutton at the back and lie as smooth revers. A tiny ticket pocket is concealed beneath most collars.

Skirts and topcoats have disturbed hems with uneven panels—a charming style for afternoon and evening gowns, though not good under coats.

Afternoon dresses are sleek, with deep, transparent yokes of lace, net or tulle; horizontal tucking is used on evening gowns and matching swing-back hip-length jackets.

Guard Against Squint Lines



Wear dark glasses when you're out in the sun to protect eyes and help prevent squint lines. This pair has side bars bound with genuine rattan.

By HELEN FOLLETT

HOLIDAY time! Fun and relaxation! Are you loitering on the beach in those new bathing togs? Or motoring along smooth, grey roads? Or leaping hither and yon on a tennis court? All right. Fine business. But are you protecting your eyes with dark glasses? You should if you are to guard against squint lines, the first furrows to appear upon the face. Once you get them, it is not easy to get rid of them. Prevention of many beauty ills is as easy as rolling off a log. Curing them is something else again, not easy at all.

Sun glasses are so beautifully designed these days that a girl can actually feel that she is looking better when she wears them. There is an infinite variety of shapes and colours

of frames. Have the salesman take them all out, so you can tell your choice, pick out the most becoming ones.

See that the frames are designed to shut out reflected glare, yet give wide vision, and comfortable fit. It is necessary to get the right shade of glass for your eyes. Professional advice is a big help.

For the frames you can have, light or dark tortoise shell, pearly ones in moonstone blue, pink pearl or flesh, solid blues, greens, reds or purples. Extra smart are those with side bars tightly bound with strips of genuine rattan.

When you get them, wear them. All too often the good-looking seeker totes something home, then tucks her purchase away, forgets to use it.



Unusual accessory note are hand-knitted jumpers and gloves to match suit material and afternoon wool dresses with self gloves.

Disby Morion's collection has a Left Wing influence with left-sided dress panels and draping. I liked his use of striped fabrics for pockets to give a three-dimensional appearance like window-boxes.

Attractive country skirts were pleated three-quarters round with a straight front panel fringed and caught with a kilt pin, Scots fashion.

Blanca Mosca uses checks, both large and small, for day suits, and velvetene for afternoon dresses and quilted evening jackets. Quilting also on satin coat-linings.

Shoulders are unpadded, and deep necklines are filled with flowers or tulle.

Fan-pleats in the front of the skirt are half concealed beneath a slim sheath, giving the appearance of an underskirt. Floating panels are used, sometimes controlled at the hips by straps.

Smocking appears on tulle evening bodices with great effect and the cape sleeve—sometimes in layers—appears on day and evening gowns.

Amusing accessory is the rabbit fur sweater on elastic for wearing with evening skirts in the winter.

Victor Stiebel makes coat collars so big they look like capes. Soft, folded lines are used both for skirts and bodices. Folds are used to suggest an underskirt, again to form a pocket.

Worth makes afternoon coats wider in the skirt to cover semi-stiff brocade gowns. Evening tailored suits are much featured, using jet and bugle embroidery.

Even the classic tailored suit is trimmed with braids, velvet, jet and sequins.

Two pretty evening accessories are quilted silk cocktail jackets and romantic tulle evening coats.

Mattill drapes silk jersey for afternoon and evening. Jet embroidered line facecloth makes an interesting fared hip-length Torador's evening cape.

Suits and coats are unbelled, in black for town wear, but gay colours for travelling. A double-sided coat of bottle green, and a cherry/bottle green/smoke grey plaid is reversible and has a wrap-over green skirt and waistcoat skirt of the plaid.

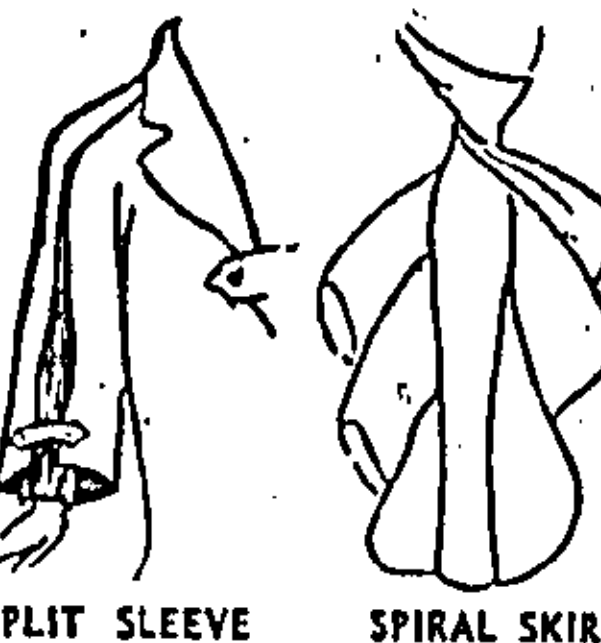
Hats are small and snug, often made entirely of feathers. Novel umbrellas have a silver parrot's head and a slim silver taxi whistle forming the handles.

Charles Creed put choker collars and high halter necks on his suit blouses...very good for preventing double chins, though not too comfortable to wear.

Many dresses are made to match the coloured linings of the coats; fine pleating is used in both dresses and suits. For cocktail, Creed uses black lace over a sheath of taffeta.

One interesting jacket had no buttons at all, fastening just with its belt.

TRENDS



SPLIT SLEEVE SPIRAL SKIRT

For golf or shooting, tweed jackets had knitted wool backs for greater freedom of movement. Creed also introduced an interesting Split Sleeve (see sketch).

Michael Sherard, newest member of the Incorporated Society of London Fashion Designers, creates a Tubular Line for evening, with looped panels in a spiral effect (see sketch).

Amusing ideas were a country suit, decorated with leather shooting patch and colourful fishing fly, and a coney over-skirt which can be buttoned on to a black facecloth skirt for greater warmth.

—(London Express Service)

THE CLOTHES THEY ARE WEARING

* Visiting London, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., millionaire newspaperman, five times married, looks at some of the 1949 Englishwomen and says they are—

Overdressed!

by VIVIAN BATCHELOR

AMERICANS visiting London are, frank, observant and outspoken. One of the most prominent of the present batch, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., has given his views about English women.

"The more money British women spend on their clothes the worse dressed they appear to be," he told me.

"Your shopgirls, typists and secretaries can show the Mayfair smart set how to dress."

The expensively dressed women he says, just don't know when to stop.

"I suppose it's partly the fault of the couture houses," he said, "but they just cram everything on. Bits of fur, bits of frills, overloaded hats and too much jewellery."

Some women in America have the same fault, according to Mr. Vanderbilt, and he mentioned what he considers two of the worst dressed cities over there, Chicago and Dallas, Texas.

His own idea of a well-dressed woman is that she shall wear simple, feminine clothes without any fussy bits and pieces.

"What do most of you do to it?" he asked. "I've never seen so many people with their hair all mussed up. I like to see hair smooth and neat, not looking..."

The word he used sounded like "bird-nesty," but Mr. Vanderbilt coughed over it, and was off again before I could ask him to repeat it.

He was off on the subject of food.

"Why is it so much worse in England than the rest of Europe, when you get exactly the same sent from us under Marshall Aid as the other countries?" he asked.

To sum up, according to Mr. Vanderbilt, English women are:

"Quite well dressed if they are hard up."

"Not bad looking until you consider their hair."

"Learning to cook."

"But still a long way from being as attractive as the average American girl."

—(London Express Service)

Fuchsias—Top
Autumn Colours

FUCHSIA pink into rose and red shades stand out as the big favourites in prints appearing in rayons and cottons for the autumn season. These shades are listed with the jewel tones which are so popular for this season. One sees them in company with peacock green, rusty or coppery browns, gray, and royal.

In cottons these shades are much favoured in prints for broad cloths and percales which are styled for back-to-school and college dresses, also blouses to wear with solid-coloured woollen suits.

TAKE YOUR PLACE
—IN THE SUN

black jersey with a tanned skin looks charming, and is considerably easier for some people to wear than a very diminutive pair of trunks.

The idea behind this change apparently is that a woman looks far smarter on 1949 beaches if she has the appearance of a stork, but, in fact, there is a practical reason for this coverage—and that is that a fierce sun can do an enormous amount of damage to delicate shoulders, which a woman only discovers, as a rule, when she puts on evening dress after roasting herself on the beach. "Tan gradually" is the advice given by all the best doctors.

Rose Rolland

ILLUSTRATED here is a Martin White swimsuit. It is a telescopic suit in navy and white cotton. The ruched panel in the front forms a tiny skirt, and the front of the trunks underneath is elasticated. It can be worn with the strap over one shoulder if desired. This firm now confines the swimsuits to only four designs, owing to public demand. They are very reasonably priced.

AFTER a pause to reorientate their ideas, the London designers have decided that beach clothes which almost suggest nudity are no longer desirable; or that, at any rate, after a while they begin to bore the onlooker. With this in view, they are suggesting well-tailored little coats, throat-high and wrist-long, but just covering the thighs; or, if they give way as regards sleeves, they are still adamant about the neckline—seen in a beach "sloucher" built like a man's shirt. The print of the "sloucher" is particularly attractive, being black on a stone-coloured ground and in an amusing scrawly design.

NYLON RUFFLES

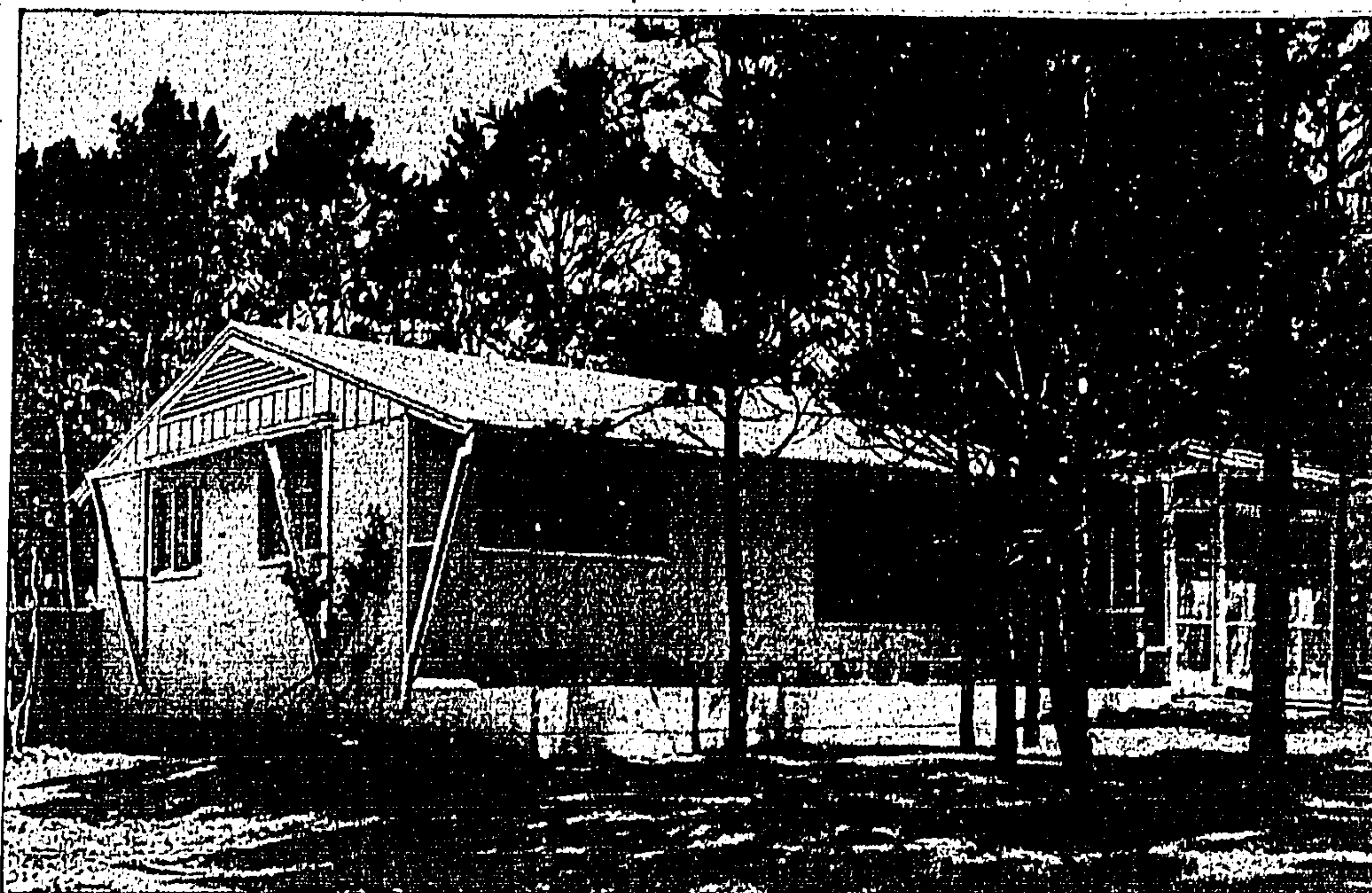
From America comes this bathing costume of iridescent grey nylon interwoven with grey latex. Ruffles on the side give freedom of movement.



—(London Express Service)

PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT

THE GREAT-LITTLE HOUSE



THIS FOUR-ROOM DEMONSTRATION HOUSE, providing maximum light and air and an unusual amount of storage space should prove practical to the warm climate home-builder. The carport that doubles as a screened-in porch in summer is especially attractive.

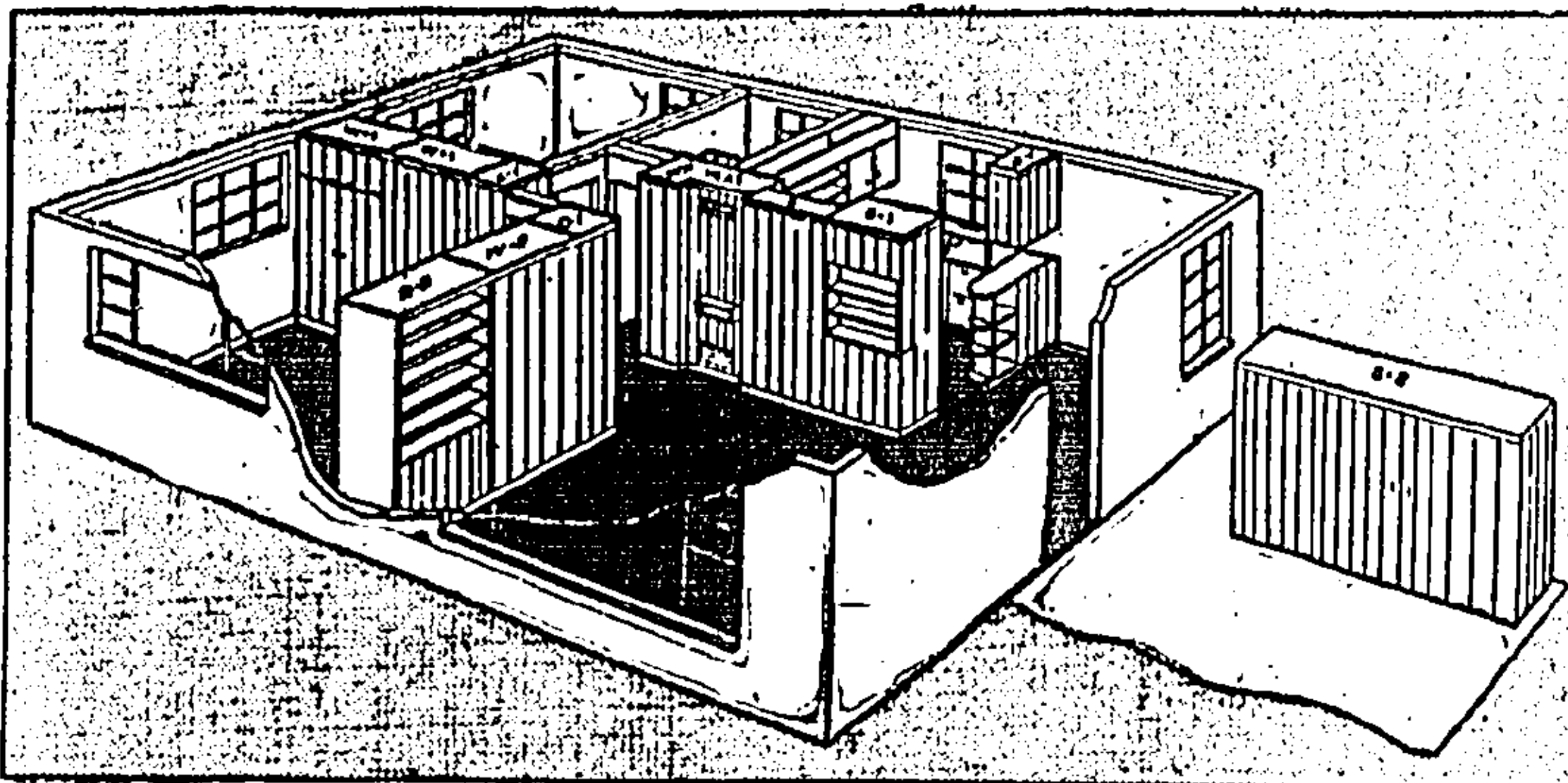
By MARION CLYDE McCARROLL

AN extensive research project for the study of low-cost housing is being carried on at the Engineering Experiment Station of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

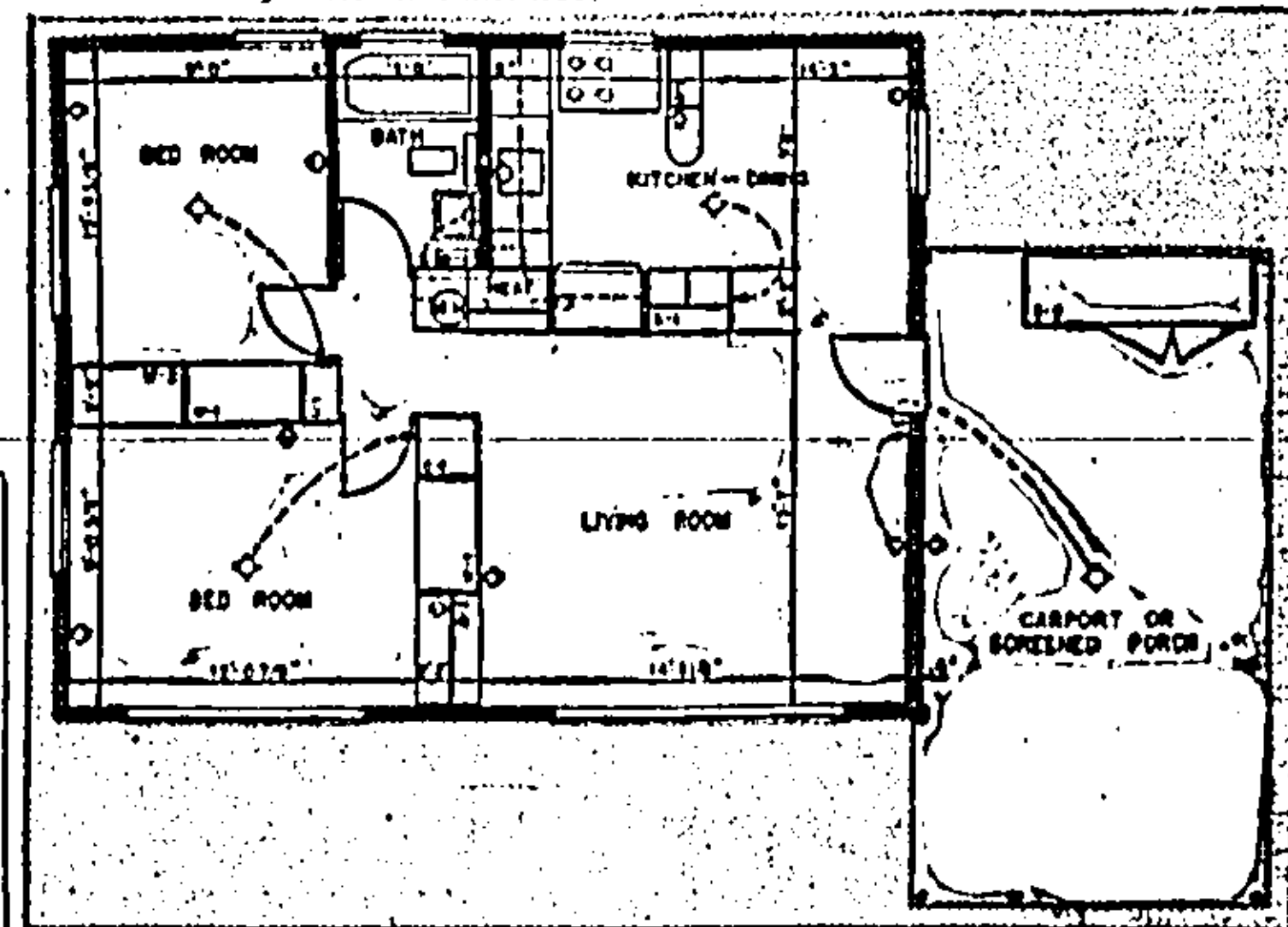
Under the research present-day house construction is being investigated and analysed from every angle, with the idea of determining how to get maximum space for minimum money.

not alter the interior or exterior appearance. Adaptation to northern areas might be the use of asphalt or asbestos shingles. The general arrangement of rooms and cabinets would be adaptable in any location.

Among the many attractive features of the house that would appeal to any home owner are that its construction provides maximum light and ventilation, an unusual amount of closet and storage space, large picture windows, overhanging eaves to control summer sun and keep out rain, and a carport that doubles as a screened-in porch in summer.



INDICATED HERE IS THE convenient arrangement of the rooms and the unusual amount of closet and cabinet space, features enthusiastically commented upon by those who have inspected the house in its location.



A LAUNDRY AND WORKSHOP might be added to this original floor plan back of the carport space, with an extra bedroom and bath built beyond.

Practical Home-sense

ONE sometimes hears it said that boys and girls are crammed with book learning at the expense of learning to live. Mr. J. H. Newson, County Education Officer of Hertfordshire, England, who has 350 primary and secondary schools under his control, is trying to develop in the children who attend these schools in a critical attitude which he hopes will help them reject some of the ugly and makeshift things in life.

He explained his methods (of which the parents, incidentally, approve) at a recent five-day course for teachers. Fashion, make-up, hair styles and interior decoration experts are being asked to come to secondary schools in Hertfordshire to teach the girls how to learn to select and to discriminate.

Girls act as models, one made up badly to show the wrong way of using cosmetics; the other, in contrast, looking charming; one well dressed, the other over dressed. Similarly, models of typical rooms and furniture are being used to develop a "home-making sense".

POLITE people sometimes refuse a cup of tea. But they don't really mean you to take them seriously. Pressed, they will murmur something about not wanting to be a bother, but if you're making some, well, perhaps just half a cup, then.

Knowing that this means two full cups, you brew the tea accordingly and then look round for something to go with it. . . . biscuits, cookies are handy enough delicacies.

French toast, or sandwiches while you take time to make them, will make your guests stay longer.

Snoring Is No Joke—

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

SNORING is not the joke we habitually consider it. Noisy breathing during sleep can be distressing not only to those who must listen to it but, often, to the snorer himself.

While more often produced when air is drawn into the lungs, snoring can also accompany exhalation of the breath. It is usually the result of vibration in the soft palate and other structures in the back of the mouth.

Snoring may also be due to blocking of the nasal passages, such as may be produced by a bent septum or by inflammation of the nose's lining membrane. Inflammation of the throat may also be a cause.

Cutting Off Uvula
Methods, good and bad, have been used over the years to prevent snoring. One of those which, in most cases, accomplishes nothing is the cutting off of the uvula, the small, pear-shaped structure which hangs from the roof of the mouth.

Fortunately, there are other measures which may have real value in the individual case. In the first place the nose should be carefully examined to determine whether or not there is any obstruction to the passages. Any such obstruction should be relieved. In some cases, nose drops used before retiring in all that is required, although sometimes a nasal operation is needed.

Some persons may snore only when lying on their back. Various devices have been used to keep the snorer from sleeping on his back, such as fastening a spoon to the back, and these are of help.

What's The Trick?
In some instances, the position of the tongue, soft palate and jaws may be altered by breathing exercises and by taking voice exercise. Sometimes, the use of a splint in the mouth may be of value. The latter alters the shape of the mouth and keeps the tongue and other tissues from falling into the position during which snoring occurs.

Keeping the mouth closed during sleep may solve the problem. This can be done by placing a strip of adhesive across the corners of the mouth.

Where snoring causes difficulty or creates a serious problem, doctors suggest that first of all a careful study be made by a nose and throat specialist to determine just what factors are involved. Where needed, treatment can then be given. In other cases, simple suggestions, such as those outlined above, can be tried until one is found which turns the trick.

Ideas to Keep You Cool

By ELEANOR ROSS

WHILE our large electric fan whizzes away merrily, keeping the air in circulation, a small fan set in front of tall containers of greenery creates a soft rustle, a real woody like breeze amid the leaves. And this inexpensive notion helps to keep us cool and refreshed.

That's only one of the many ideas to make working in town during the summer, bearable. Up come the rugs, off come the regular slip-overs, down come the drapes. Cool grass rugs, while slipcovers in green moss fringe make the apartment pleasant and cool looking, as well as saving much wear, tear and grime from good rugs and slip covers.

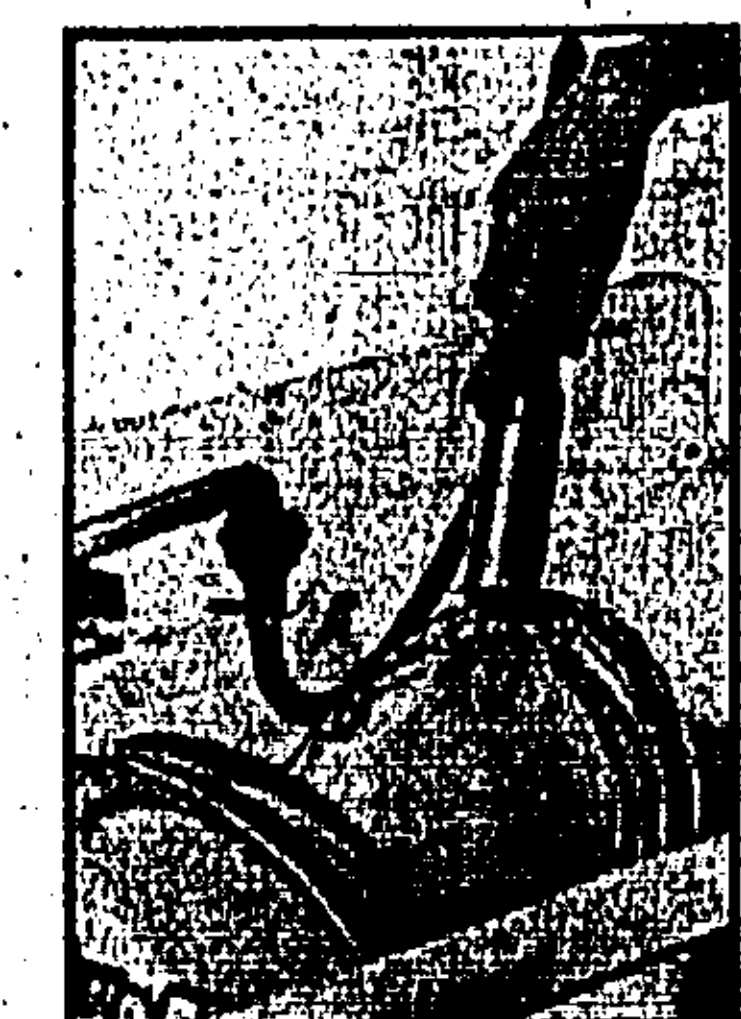
Cooler Rooms
Visiting around town we've come across all sorts of interesting little touches for keeping cool. The coolest looking rooms, we note, are those that are free from clutter. Away go all accessories not actually in use. One girl we know uses heavy crystal glass ashtrays and glass lamps only, and how cool they do look! Another imaginative lass has placed in the living room huge chunks of glass, some white, some green, about

which there are vines, and tall, foliage-filled containers. The effect is so pretty, so cool looking. Evenings, she snaps on a switch for a blue light concealed behind the rough glass chunks, and the effect is delightful.

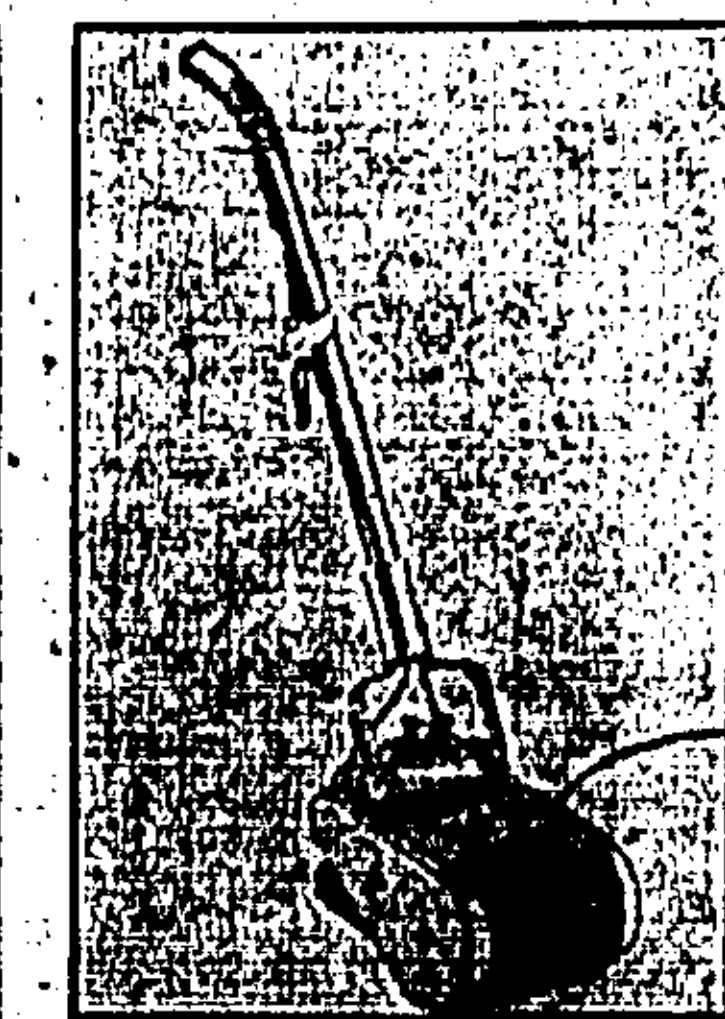
Another girl has been collecting pictures of snow scenes, penguins and such. Come summer, off from the walls come the usual pictures to be replaced by the cool-looking slides of snow, Alpine scenes, majestic icebergs, all pretty to look at and certainly on the cool side.

Unusual Lamps
Another friend has an idea that the usual lamps destroy any cool charm a room may have. She treated herself to some delightful and novel lamps. These are clear glass television tubes that have been "upended" and had three rubber feet attached, and a lighting fixture has been placed in the open end. Topped by a collar and shade of woven raffia, these lamps look beautifully cool by day or when illuminated. Cool looking and handsome, too, are lamps made from ancient coloured apothecary jars.

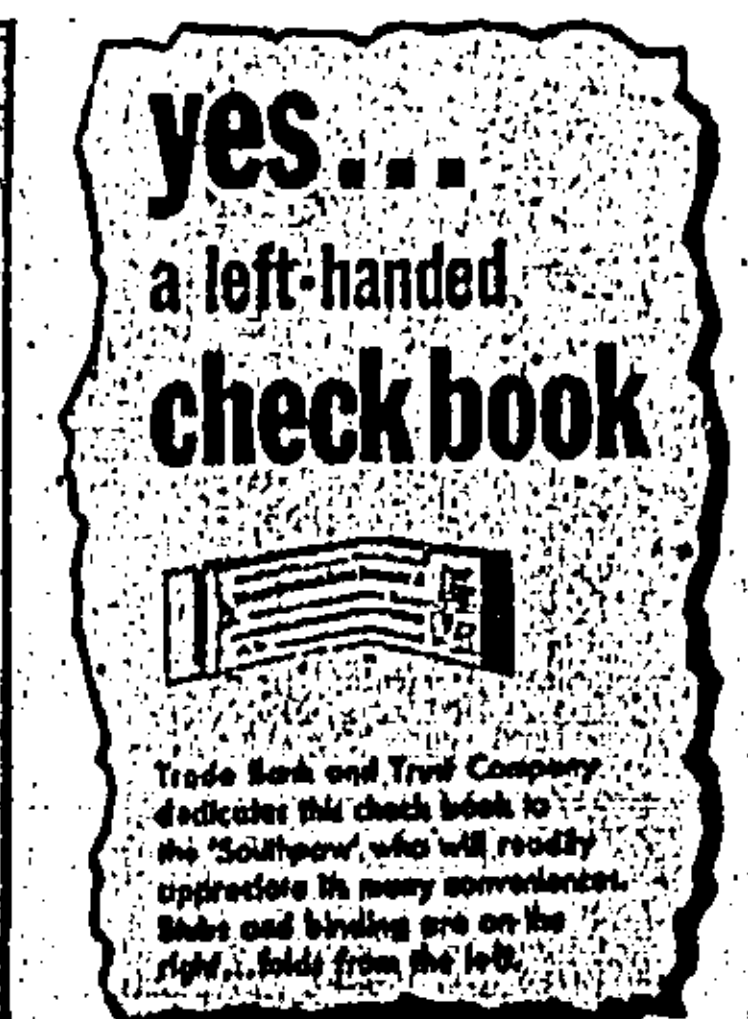
Home chores made light...



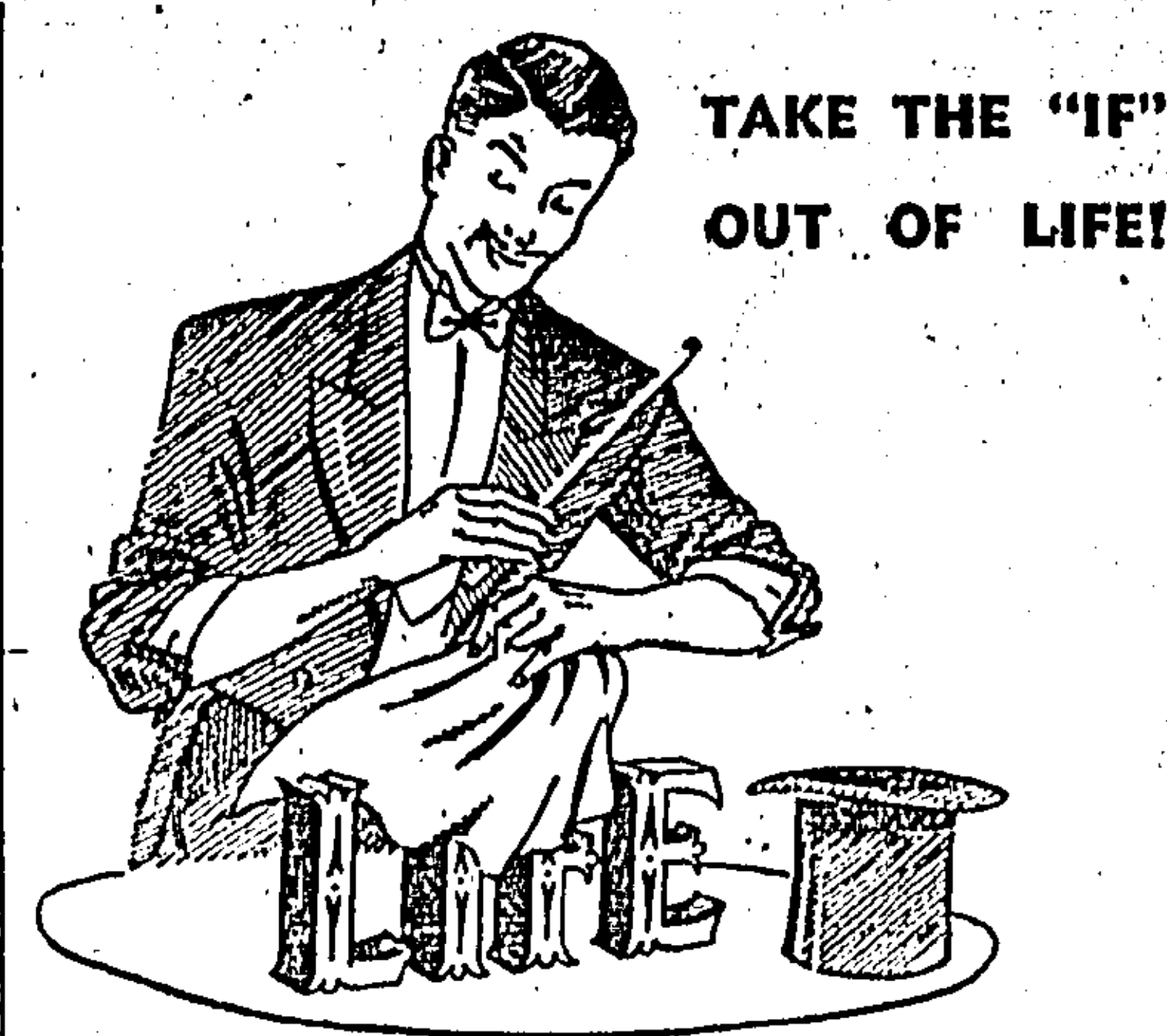
DISHWASHER with rubber hose to fit any tap. Put a cleaning tablet in the soap chamber and the suds stream through the revolving brush-head to wash your dishes.



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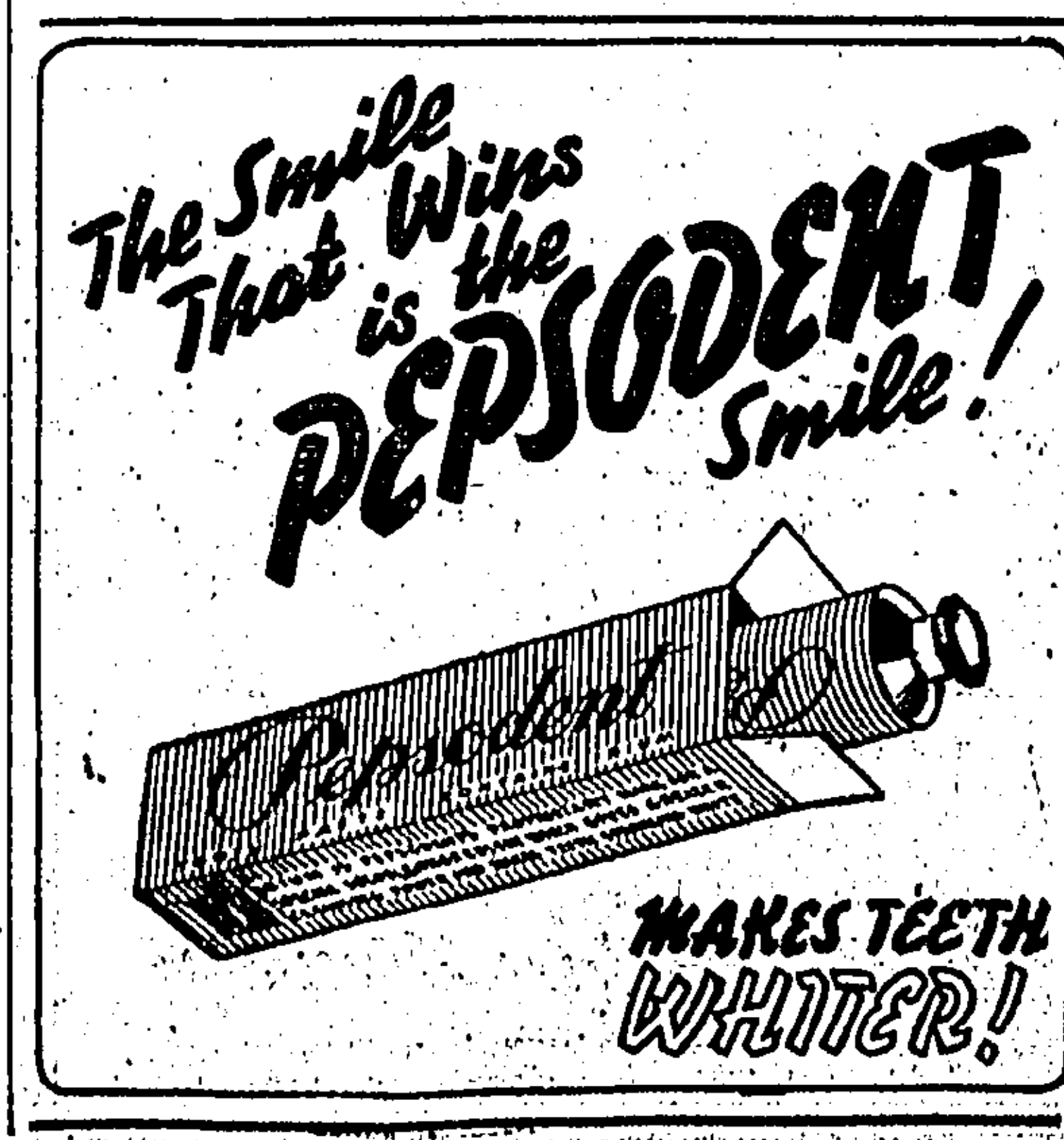
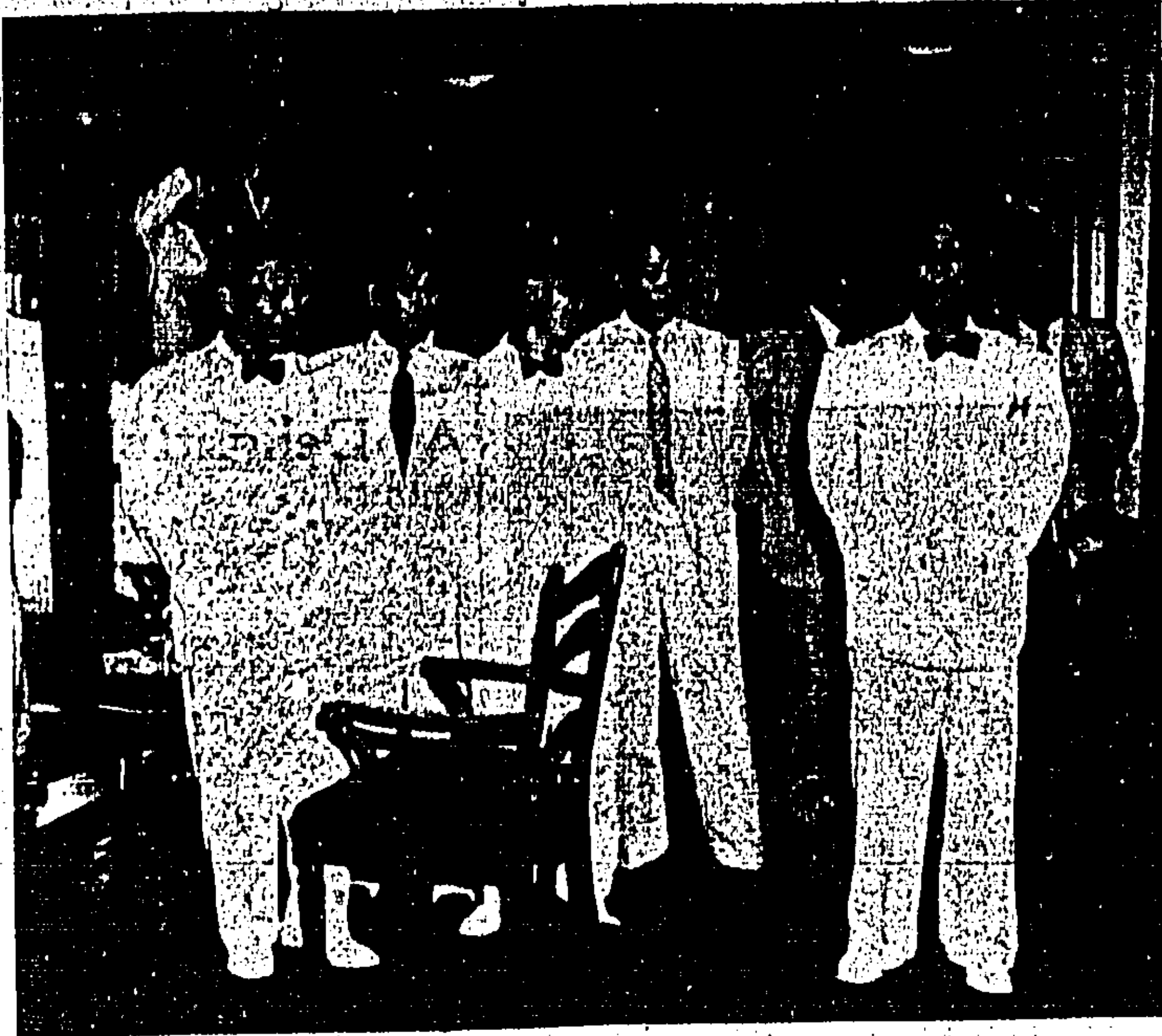
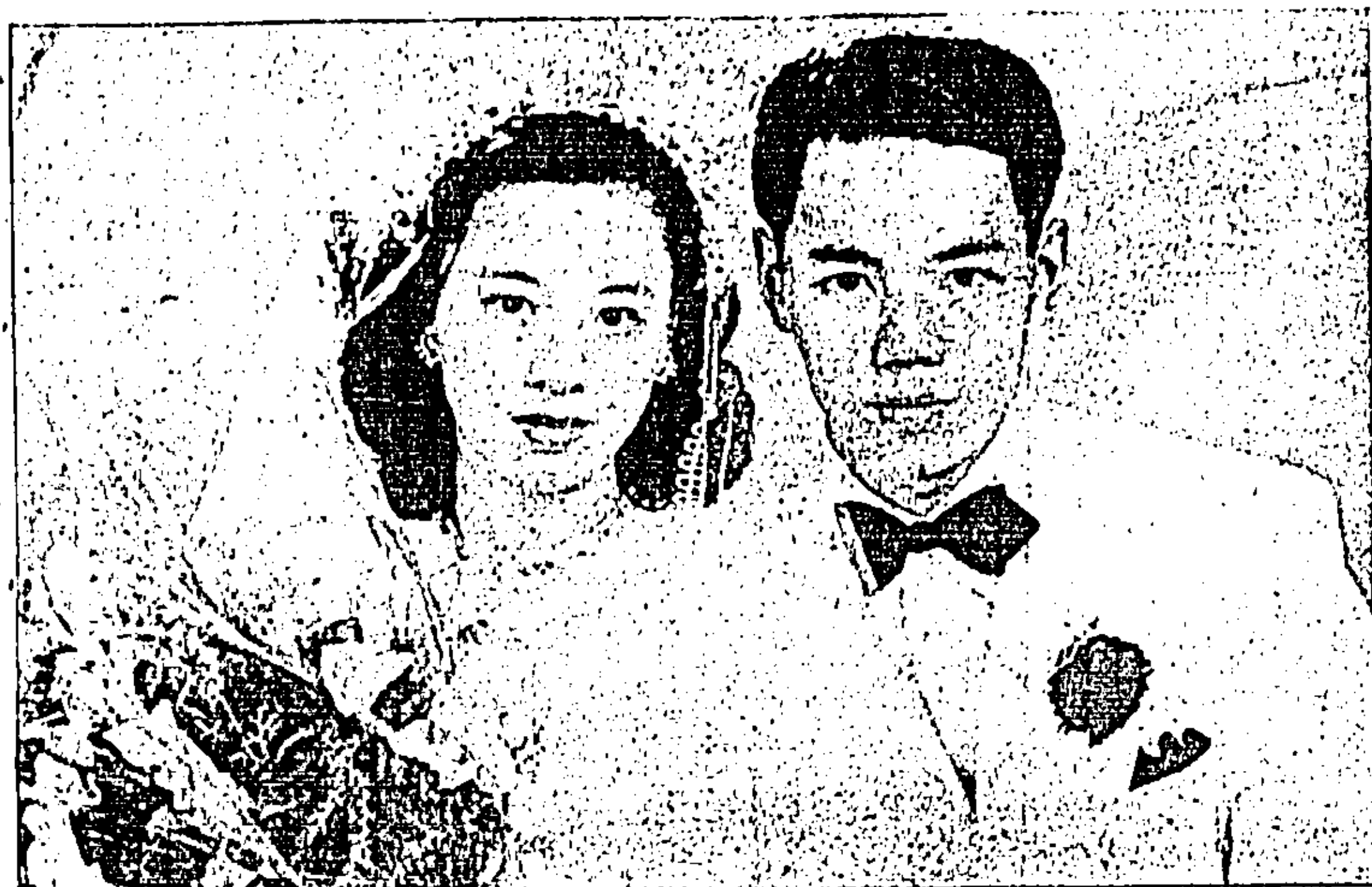




PHOTO taken at a party given on the birthday of little Barbara Gabriel, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Gabriel. (Golden Studio)



ABOVE are some of those attending the cocktail party given at the Hongkong Hotel on Monday last to mark the first anniversary of Korean independence. Right: HE the Governor seen with the Korean Consul, Mr Kim Yong-shik. Lower right: HE the Governor and Lady Grantham greeted on arrival. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



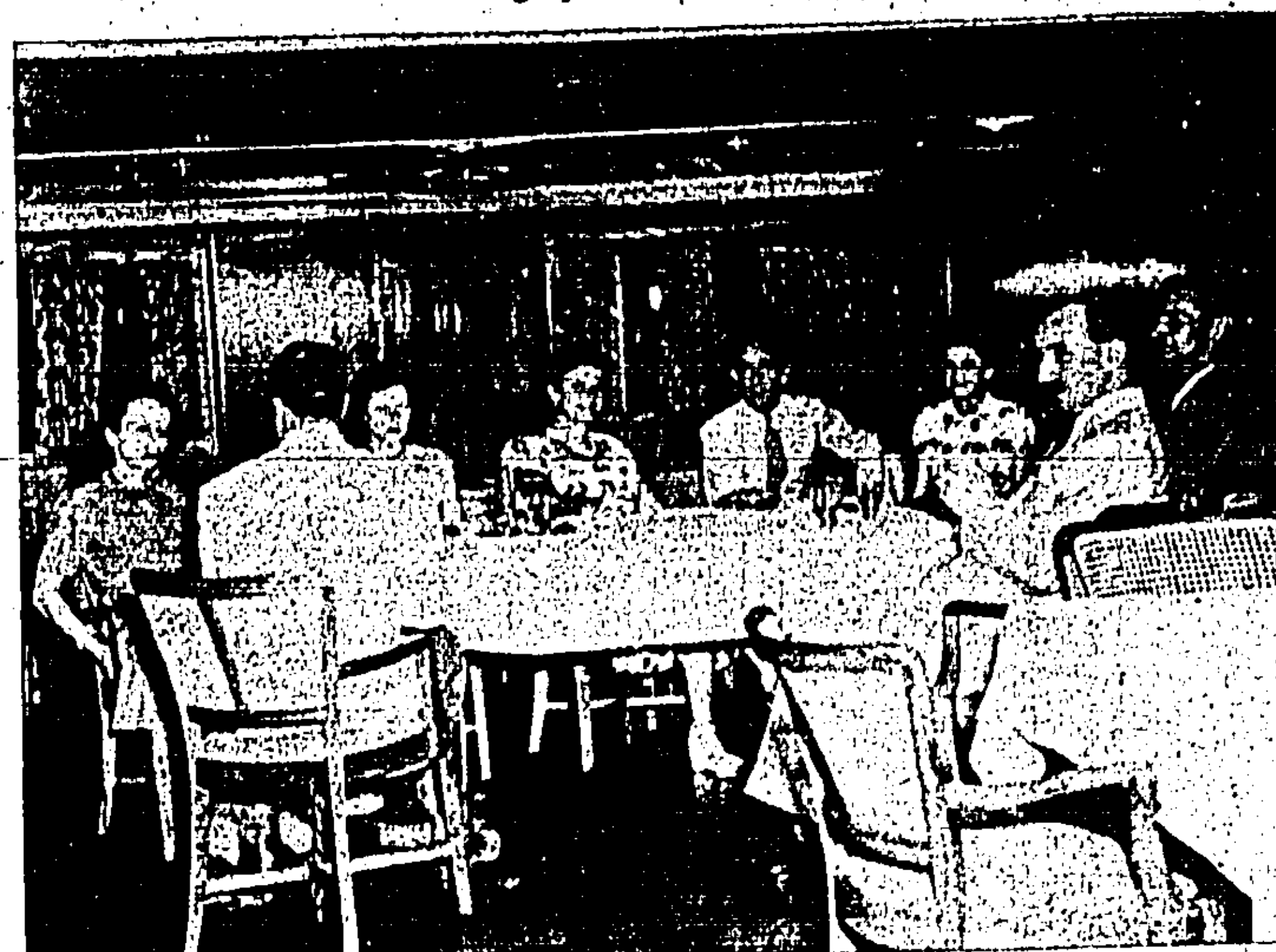
MR Cyril Moo Pao and Miss Dianna Tong, who were married at the Registry recently. (Golden Studio)



LITTLE John Bidwell, who was two last Saturday, celebrated the occasion with a party which many of his young friends attended. John is the son of Mr and Mrs H. D. Bidwell. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



ABOVE are shown the winners of the men's relay and nurses' relay at the St John Ambulance Brigade aquatic sports at the VRC last Sunday. (Golden Studio)



GROUP taken at the cocktail party on board the mv Changsha on Wednesday includes Capt H. Hunt, Mrs Knowles, Mrs Hunt, Mrs Doyle, Mr and Mrs McLaren, Mr W. W. Doyle and Mr J. L. R. Mair.



CAPTAIN C. P. Miller, skipper of the new Butterfield and Swire pocket luxury liner Changsha, which arrived here this week on her maiden voyage from the United Kingdom via Australia.

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MR. U. Tat-choe, Hongkong's "Ginger King," speaking at a luncheon of the Wah Yan College Past Pupils' Association. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

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WHEN PARENTS FIGHT LOVE

In the end it is love that wins

by GWYN LEWIS

COLONEL JOHN SWINOTON ALAN and his wife flew from Karachi to stop Jacqueline, their 18-year-old daughter, from marrying an almost penniless architect student.

Jacqueline and her sweetheart went to court at Hastings. The magistrates heard parental objections and the pleas of love.

They decided in favour of love and gave permission to marry.

The father walked out of court without a backward glance at his daughter. His wife said, "There is no hope of reconciliation."

There are a number of such cases every year.

In some the magistrates uphold the parents. In others they overrule them.

But whatever their decision I imagine that it must usually give them much anxiety.

The most often ask themselves—whether way they decide: Am I wrecking the lives of these young people or am I making them?

And I imagine that many times afterwards they must think—

What happened to those youngsters? Was I right or was I wrong? Are they happy or has their marriage been wrecked? Was family harmony ever restored?

Usually, alas, they never hear of what happened afterwards. But I will tell you what happened in some cases.

'We took a chance'

VIOLET FLETCHER asked the Luton Magistrates two years ago, when she was 19, for permission to marry Anthony Gilmore, who was 22.

She said that her mother was dead, and that for two years she had lived apart from her father, who refused consent for her marriage. Father's objections were not stated.

Application granted

Now they are living happily with Mr Gilmore's parents and have an 11-month-old baby boy. Mr Gilmore says, "I have made it up with Violet's father and I go to see him every week. My wife and I had nothing when we married; now we are both earning and saving. We took a chance and we do not regret it."

Still live in hopes

DOREEN HILTON was 16 when in 1947 she asked the Watlington Magistrates, court, for permission to marry 17-year-old Stanley Whitehouse.

It was her second application, the magistrates having adjourned her first for six months "to see how they got on." Doreen's mother and father still contended she was too young for marriage.

Court gave consent

Mrs Whitehouse said to me: "We are happily married, but mother and father have not yet overcome their objection. I live in hopes of a reconciliation."



JACQUELINE... 'Yes, said the magistrates

Mrs Whitehouse took a £3 10s-a-week job as tailor's clerk when her husband's pay dropped from £6 as a decorator to that of an aircraftman on being called up to do his National Service in the R.A.F.

"We had £90 saved when we married," she said, "and £40 worth of furniture. Now we have £170 worth of furniture."

'Mother makes his sandwiches'

KATHLEEN MAY COATES appealed to the Hull court in 1947 for permission to marry Ronald Kennington. She was then 19 and he 21.

She said that her father had refused consent after an argument over the sale of a pig.

Court consent granted.

They now have a year-old baby.

Mrs. Kennington said to me: "We are happy."

"Ronald brought about a reconciliation with my parents last Christmas by calling on them."

"There was handshaking all round, and now he is treated like a favourite son. "Mother makes up his sandwiches for him to take to work. Every Friday his mother calls on my mother, collects her shopping list, and goes into Hull to shop for both families."

That is another happy ending to a romance story which began when Mrs. Kennington apologised to the magistrates for appearing in court to make her marriage application dressed in dungarees; because, she said, in consequence of the "family quarrel" she had gone straight to court from her work in a quarry canteen.

What does her husband say now? "We have no regrets."

Such a good husband

MRS LILIAN ROBERTS when 19 went to the Plymouth court nearly two years ago for permission to marry Leonard Charles Cornelius, who was 20. Her parents considered she was too young and refused consent.

Permission granted.

Mrs Cornelius, when asked if she and her husband are now happy, replied: "You bet we are. The turtle dove stage is over, but we are still in love."

"There was a happy reconciliation with my mother before she died."

They lived next door

AUDREY GLADYS DIERI in 1947 appealed to the Feltham (Middlesex) magistrates for permission to marry Douglas James Langrish. She was then 18.

Her mother said she objected to the marriage "on many grounds, and added: "I don't get on with him."

Audrey was given the court's permission to marry.

Their courtship had been conducted over a garden fence in Milton Road, Hampton, Middlesex.

Audrey and her husband are now living with Audrey's mother at her cottage in Bushy Park Road, Teddington, near Hampton.

Audrey said to me: "Douglas and I live for each other."

"We have a baby, Andrew Paul, and Douglas and mother now get on with each other famously."

Of her mother's reconciliation she said: "I was her only remaining child."

"After my first two years, as a wife I feel that she was right in opposing my marriage."

"Douglas and I would have put off our wedding if we could have foreseen that we would have to live in rooms with no proper home of our own."

"The prospects of finding a flat or house seem hopeless. The worry of it all has made me ill."

"We have lived in rooms at three different houses since our marriage, but it seems as though landlords hate babies."

"Mother could so easily have adopted an 'I-told-you-so' attitude, but she welcomed us to her cottage, and she has been wonderful."

Rooms with parents now

MARGARITA FAULKNER sought the consent of the Taunton court to her marriage to Charles John Fouracre in 1947. She was 19 and he 23.

Her father had refused consent, saying he and his wife might have thought differently if Fouracre had volunteered information about his financial ability to provide for his daughter. Fouracre had refused to show his bank book.

Marriage permission granted. Margarita and Charles have now been married two years, and said Margarita: "We are most happy."

"A baby is on the way, and daddy and mummy have not only come round to our way of thinking but have made us welcome to live with them until our own nest can be found."

Father has allowed us to furnish our own rooms in his house."

Happiness is not complete

EILEEN DORIS BENNETT went to the Slough Bench two years ago for permission to marry George Phillips, who was then in the Navy. She was 20 and he 23.

Eileen's parents opposed the marriage with the claim that Phillips would not be able to give their daughter the sort of home to which she was accustomed.

The magistrates consented.

The Phillipses have set up home in Vale Road, Slough.

They both spoke of their happiness. They told me that they embarked on marriage with £25. Now they have £100 saved.

Their happiness will be complete when they win the approval of Mrs Phillips's parents.

A note of resentment

ONLY once did I detect a note of resentment in making my survey of these young people who launched into matrimony against parental opposition.

It came when I visited a young couple in Colnbrook, Middlesex.

"My husband and I have no regrets," said the wife. "We are happy. But there has been no reconciliation with my father."

What do I think, having listened to the stories of these marriages that began so disturbingly?

The interesting thing to me is that the financial state of every couple was so precarious at the time of the marriage that on common sense alone the parents were justified in their opposition. On the evidence there could not have seemed much chance of happiness.

Yet in every case there is happiness. Love has found a way, and in giving love a chance the magistrates proved to be wiser than the parents.

(London Express Article)

AN INTERNATIONAL SCHEME FOR FORMOSA?

By David Temple Roberts

THE island of Formosa, off the coast of China, has appeared in the daily news recently as the centre from which the Chinese Nationalist Navy and Air Force is operating to enforce the blockade of Shanghai.

The future status of the island is a problem worth immediate thought. Unless a definite decision is taken on how to regard Formosa, it may become an even more dangerous thorn in the side of British and American interests in the Far East than it is already. If a future Communist Government is internationally recognised in China, its claim to Formosa will be an international irritant.

Here are the salient facts regarding Formosa. It lies within the chain of islands off the China coast that run from Luzon (the northernmost of the Philippines) through Formosa and Okinawa to the southern island of Japan, where the port of Nagasaki is situated. Formosa is in a powerful position for the defence of the sea lanes—British ships now held up by the Nationalist blockade are discovering. No more need be said of the part the island could play in a strategic scheme in the China Seas.

Peculiar Status

The present international status of the island is peculiar. It was in Japanese hands for 50 years, from 1895 to 1945. During the war no difficulty was foreseen concerning the reversion of this ethnically and linguistically Chinese province to the body of China. It was agreed, at Cairo, where Chiang Kai-shek met Winston Churchill, not only that China would occupy Formosa militarily but also that it should be re-incorporated in the Chinese Republic even before a formal cession by Japan, which could not occur until a peace treaty had been signed.

Since the defeat of Japan this provisional agreement has been carried out. Probably the arrangement has not been greatly more comfortable for the inhabitants of the island than the rather similar "provisional" settlement that gave a large strip of Germany to Poland. In the case of Formosa, however, the native population were, technically, "liberated" from the Japanese yoke; the Germans of Silesia and Pomerania were vanquished "aggressors."

As a Formosan remarked to an American officer: "You only dropped an Atomic Bomb on the Japanese; you dropped a Chinese Army on us."

A Burden

In considering the future of Formosa it might be possible to give a thought, for the first time for 55 years, to the interests of the long suffering and hard-working Formosans. They have found government by mainland Chinese a burden since 1945. First, General Chen Yi's misrule ended with an autonomous (non-Communist) revolt in 1947 that was sharply repressed, and the General returned to the mainland.

Now Formosa is the refuge of General Chiang. He is reputed to have 300,000 troops with him on the island; his navy operating from the island is unlikely to be out-gunned by the Communists within the near future; his air force is strong by Chinese standards.

From the military viewpoint, it is probable that the Nationalist group centred on Formosa could hold out against Communist threats from the mainland of China for a long period. Even without outside aid, the gold stocks transferred to the island, and private ac-

counts held in many banks abroad, would provide finance to re-equip a garrison army. But whether the Formosan hatred of mainland Chinese will not express itself in a Communist-inspired revolt is another question.

In the immediate future Formosa is likely to become an international issue of great delicacy. General Chiang's suffered damage to its falling prestige with the publication of the U.S. State Department's White Paper, will continue to claim international recognition. A Communist government will claim Formosa as of right—probably with Soviet backing, as Formosa is a valuable strategic point. The problem is set.

Bold Solution

The solution must be bold. An international regime for Formosa, established immediately, before any question of the recognition of a Communist government in China, would solve many problems at a stroke. Formosa is, technically, still under Japanese sovereignty until a peace treaty. The juridical basis to such a bold step would be a statement that the Nationalist Government is no longer in a position to fulfil its obligations in Formosa, and that, therefore, the island reverts to Japan under the terms of the Allied Council for Japan, and the advice of the Far Eastern Advisory Commission—both organs set up in agreement with Russia under the Moscow Agreement of 1945.

Creation of 1945. Occupation under SCAP (General MacArthur's Command) would be introduced. The "Nationalist" forces would then be honourably neutralised. A large majority of Chiang's following would gladly return—with a repatriation bonus, to their mainland homes.

Two Advantages

This step would have two advantages. It would deny to the Communists all hope of capturing the valuable island, either by direct assault or internal revolution. Simultaneously Formosans would look forward to a secure regime of their own choosing.

The Allied occupying authorities would presumably establish a Formosan Government under tutelage. The progress of this government towards independence need not be as rapid as that of South Korea, where something, however glibly, had to be created quickly to rival North Korea's "Communist-pattern" rule. For Formosa the valid parallel would be with the progress of the Philippines towards independence. The island would have no need to fear the insecurity of South Korea—it is an island and it can pay its way with exports.

State Of The Till

In these days when even the biggest powers cannot make decisions of foreign policy without a glance at the state of the till, it is worth noting that Formosa will not cost its provisional international controllers any "grants-in-aid" for its support. The island has a strikingly favourable balance of trade. It is self-supporting in its rice supply—the key to Far Eastern prosperity—and it exports large quantities of sugar, tea and camphor. During 1948 its exports totalled US\$21 million. The Chinese authorities allotted no more than US\$6½ million for foreign exchange to the island that year.

With such a surplus, even the most autonomy-minded of Formosans would probably be willing to base the limited cost of an interim international regime if the new dispensation meant an end of depredations by mainland Chinese and fear of the destruction of crops and productive resources by civil war.



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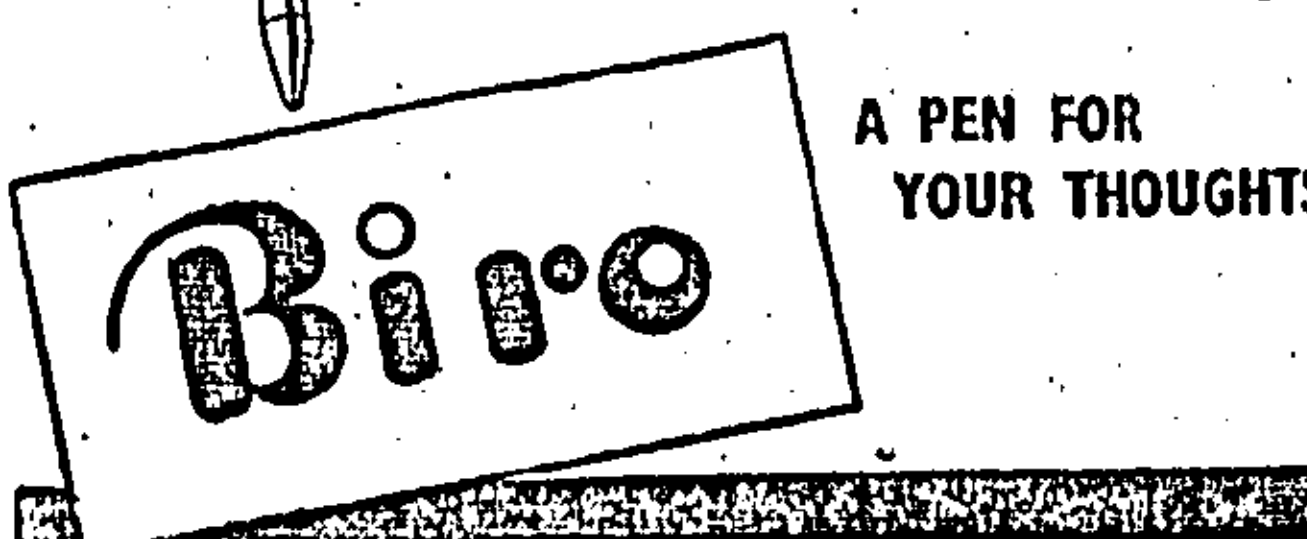
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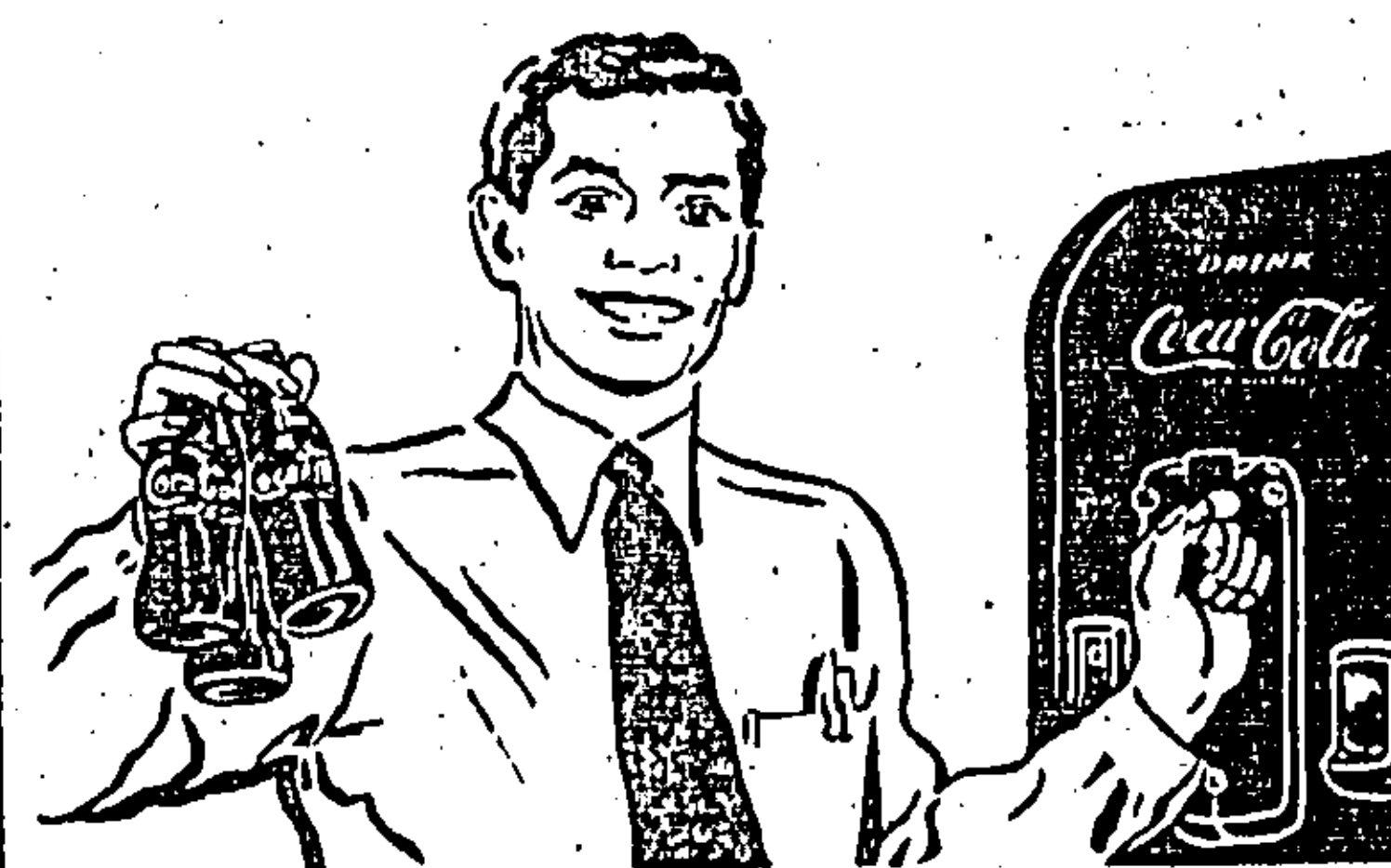
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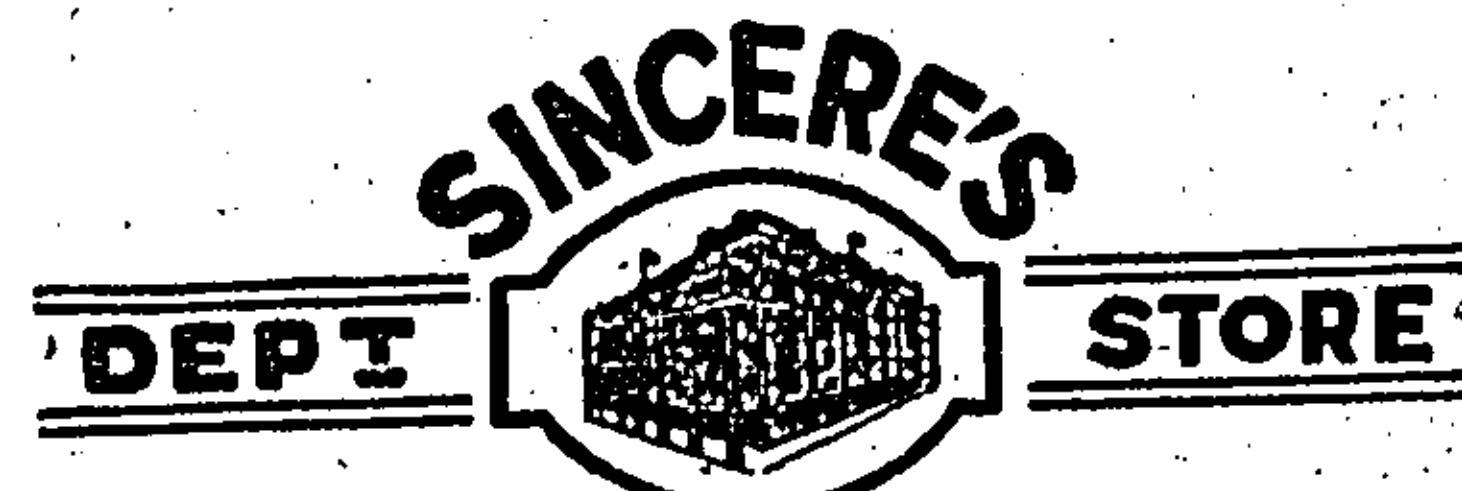
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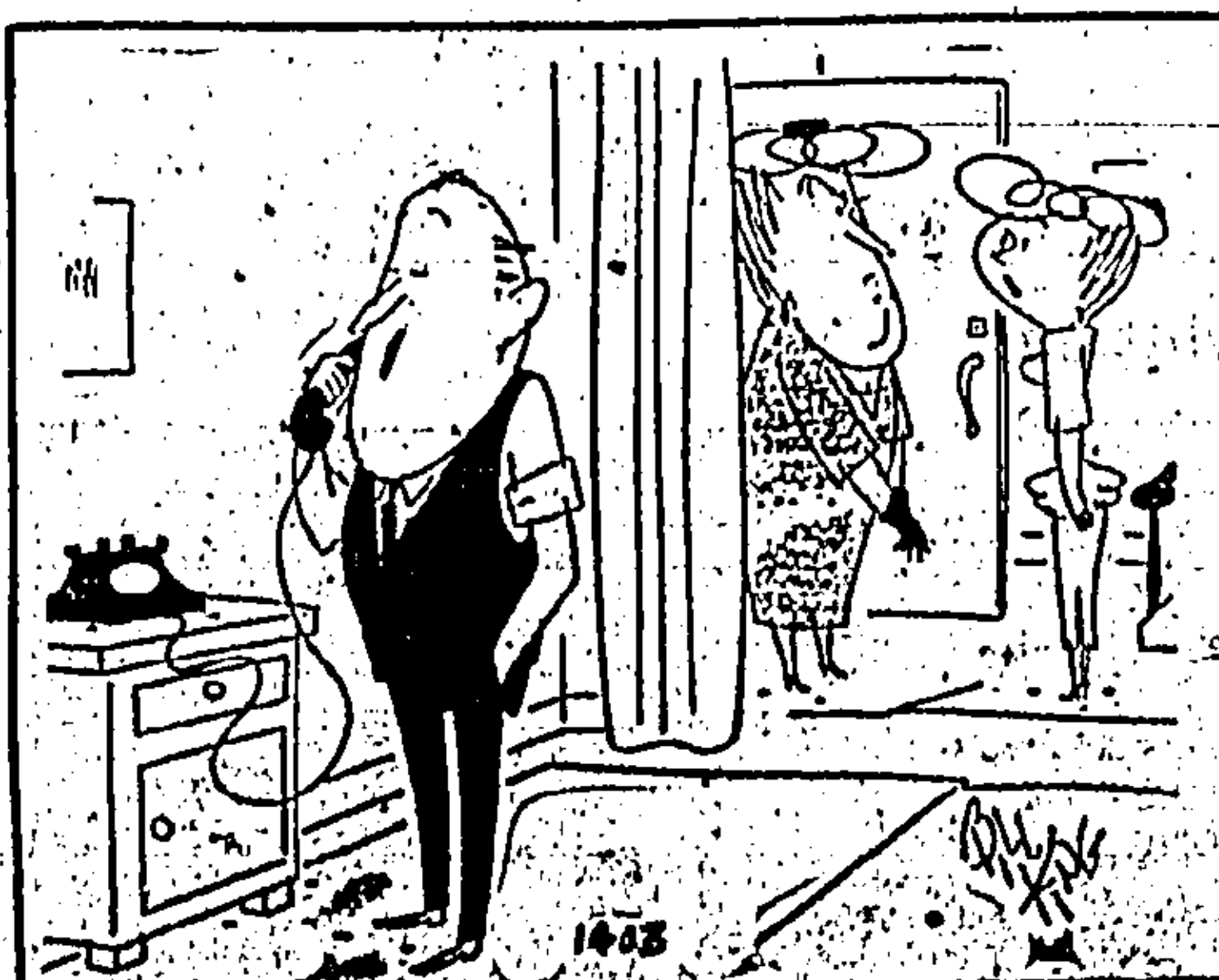
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SOFTBALL GETS SET FOR A NEW SEASON

By "STARDUST"

Local softball will start on the long grind to another pennant race in the near future with bright prospects for another bumper season looming ahead on the horizon. The season is scheduled to get under way in early October but the controlling body of the game is wasting no time in getting the organisation ready for the forthcoming campaign. There is much work to be done and several obstacles to be overcome before the Opening Day of the season.

To set itself for the herculean task ahead, the Hongkong Softball Association called its Annual General Meeting last Monday, several weeks earlier than in the previous year. A large and enthusiastic crowd of softball followers foregathered at the Green Room, Peninsula Hotel, for this function and sat through almost three full hours of animated discussion with a brand new Constitution for the Association forming the main item on the agenda.

The highlight of the convention was the re-election of the one and only Francis "Doc" Molthen, known to one and all in the local softball community, to the Presidency of the Association for the fifth term since the re-occupation of the Colony. "Doc" had held the Presidency for several years prior to Pearl Harbour.

The nomination of "Doc" to head the Committee met with the unanimous acclamation of all present. In fact, the only other candidate for the office was proposed by "Doc" himself, but no one present seconded the nomination. "Doc" Molthen declined the nomination, saying his name was first proposed, telling the meeting that he had not been given the support and sportsmanship of his flock during the recently concluded season.

However, in the face of promised co-operation from all sides, "Doc" was left with but one choice—to accept the nomination. His re-election to the helm of the Association augurs well for the success of the season just ahead as local softball can hardly exist without him. It is sincerely hoped that those present at Monday's meeting will give effect to their promises by bringing forward into the field a greater support and a better sense of the championship than that displayed in the last turbulent year.

Jim Shepherd comes back to the picture after a year's lay-off. He was elected Vice-President, a post which he held during the 1947/48 season.

F. W. "Buster" Hollands, Assistant Secretary last year, moved into the Secretary's chair in a popular election. The energetic and painstaking Hollands is the type of Secretary that softball needs in this era of the game's development.

Hal Wing Lee, Secretary during the 1947/48 campaign, will lend his bountiful knowledge and experience to the Association in the capacity of Assistant Secretary. Facts and Figures Philo Remedios was re-elected as Treasurer for the fourth straight year.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

An important amendment to the existing Constitution of the Association was brought up during the session. The proposed amendment provided for a Committee consisting of four main executives and one representative from each participating team, instead of the constitutionally established practice of voting for five additional members to make up a Committee consisting of nine members.

A lengthy discussion ensued on this proposed amendment and it was eventually decided to nominate a temporary Committee to revise the whole Constitution for submission to an Extraordinary General Meeting to be convened in the very near future. The temporary Committee comprises Miss Alice-Mar, Rev. Bro. C. Cronin, Rennie Sequeira, Tony Ribeiro and Hal Wing Lee.

Judging from the enthusiasm displayed at Monday's meeting, local softball seems to be on the threshold of another successful season. Indications are that there will be more teams in the forthcoming competitions. The possibility of conducting an Inter-School League was mooted.

However, the main difficulty the Association will have to confront will be the question of playing fields. Playing grounds are scarce this year, but it is hoped that the controlling authorities will finally answer the year-in-year-out plea of the local Association.

The Association has everything set for a full year of softball, but unless the governing authorities look in their direction it is hard to foresee anything better than the lamest-

able playing conditions of the previous year.

GOSSIP FROM HERE & THERE

Gossip from here and there: Cesar "Quick" Quack, Xavier, who has been a regular feature in local softball, will most probably put two teams into the flag races this year. Cesar is busy coaching a Men's and a Ladies' squad for Opening Day.

St. Joseph's College will enter a team in the Junior League this season. Rev. Bro. Cronin, Sports Master of the College, is preparing a squad for an assault on the coveted "Ernie Heath" Shield.

Rumours indicate that the mighty Saints, always a strong contender in the Senior League, will be disbanding this season. However, most of their players will associate themselves with other teams in the circuit.

Two new teams to challenge for the Ladies' title are the Squaw, bobbysox edition of the Junior League champion Braves, and Hal Wing Lee's White Fangs. Both squads have been

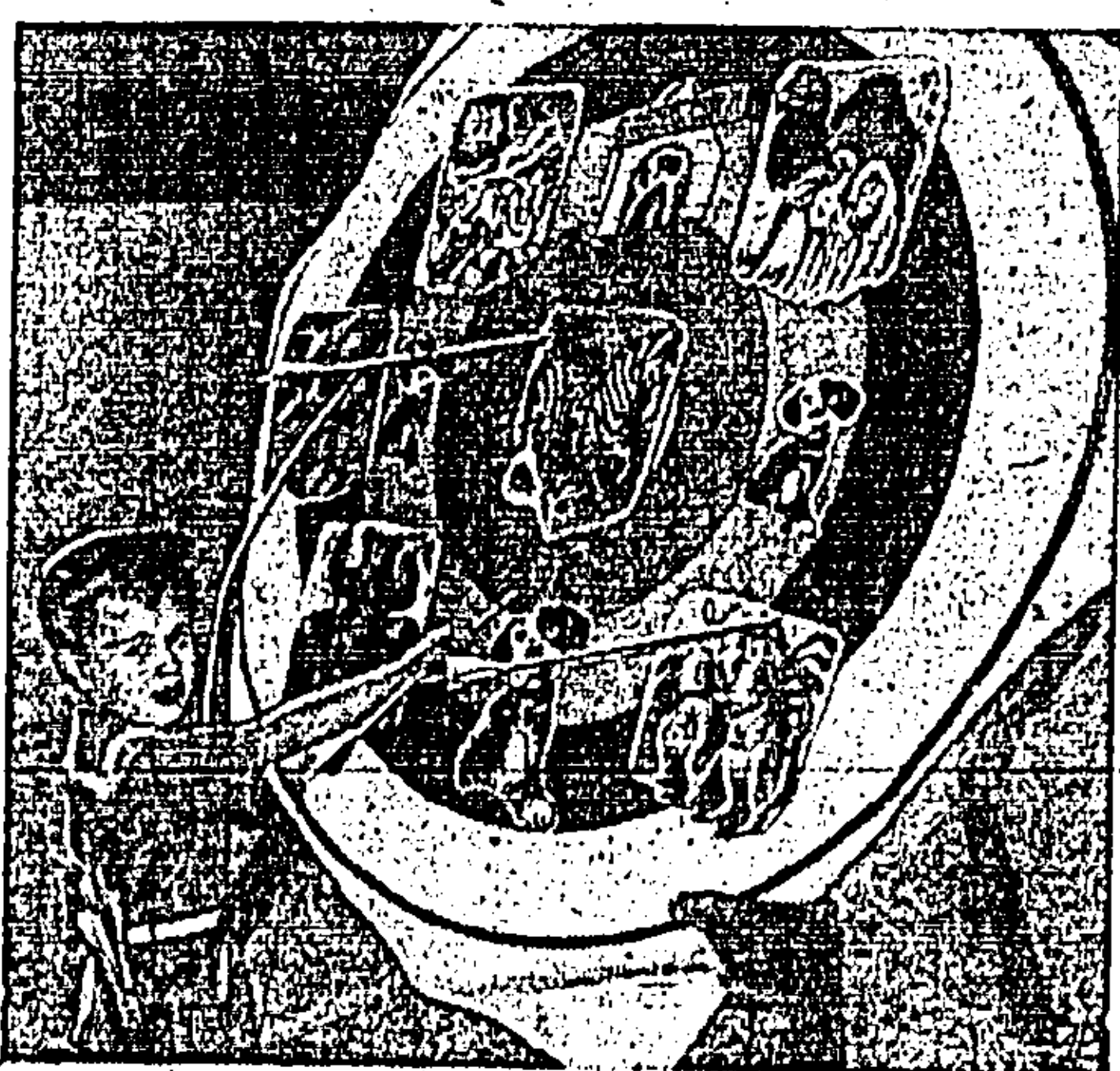
practising hard during the hot summer months.

Don "Flash" Robbins, who hails from Vancouver, Canada, is currently enjoying a well-earned holiday in his native abode. Robbins took time out to pen his fellow Canucks a line to the popular Flash will be back in these scented shores in October and, in his own words, is raring to go. Don has just completed a full course in umpiring and is all set to take over as Umpire-in-Chief when he touches local soil again.

Softball readers, fans, players, and the local public will be given a welcome opportunity to air their views on the local game in this new season of softball. Through the courtesy of the Association letters containing constructive criticism or suggestions for the improvement of the game in the Colony may be addressed to the Secretary, F. W. Hollands, at his residence, 7, Leighton Hill Road.

Teams intending to participate in the forthcoming season may send in their entries to the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

TARGETS FOR MIDGETS



Rickey Pozagy, four, inspects one of the targets for youngsters under six in the Illinois Archery Association Tourney in Jackson Park, Chicago.—AP Picture.

FOUR NEW TEST MEN

Four Australian cricketers—two of them teachers, the others bank clerks—will soon be taking their first overseas trip with their country's side, led by Lindsay Hassett. Even though their destination is South Africa, they are more reference here; it may be "our turn next."

Jack Morensey, right-hand opening batsman, NSW schoolmaster, is a thick-set fellow of 20 with strong on-side strokes. He headed the Australian averages last southern season with 897 runs for 81.54.

The other three are Ken Archer, 21, teacher, Queensland, batsman; Geoffrey Noblet, 32, 6ft. 3in. bank clerk, South Australia, fastish bowler; and A. Walker, 23, bank clerk, South Australia, left-arm fast bowler—the rugby centre who scored a fine try for Australia at Twickenham in 1947.

Of Archer, a baseball player, it is said that he is "a greater

ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY



Eddie Waitkus, Philadelphia Phillies first baseman who was shot by a girl admirer who had never met him, explains baseball tactics to Nurse Alice Klopfer in the Illinois Masonic Hospital in Chicago.

He is now so well on the road to recovery that he hopes to be able to play again before the end of the season. He is now permitted to leave the hospital occasionally for a visit to the Phillies.

ALAN HOBY'S COLUMN

End This 'Amateur' Sport Farce

I don't own a crystal ball but I can reveal that the Amateur Athletic Association are quietly investigating the Amateur status of athletes.

The crimes? These include allegations that promoters are paying athletes to appear at meetings where their presence will jack-up the gate receipts.

But here is a quaint irony. While they probe these suggestions of velle professionalisation, our athletic rulers, at the same time, are accepting help from the most powerful professional body in sport!

On Tuesday and Wednesday, August 16 and 17, 80 Soccer stars, representing about £500,000 worth of two-footed talent, took part in a five-a-side knockout tournament.

This show was organised jointly by the Football Association and Sir Arthur Elvish, of Wembley.

Every penny taken will go towards the £20,000 needed to send a team to the British Empire Games in New Zealand this winter.

BEYOND THE PALE

Fine. But here is the joke—and not a very good one, either.

Under the rules of the AAA no professional footballer can run, jump, or hurdle for his country.

It is by chance Tommy Lawton happened to be the fastest sprinter we had, he could never turn out for England on the running track. Oh dear no. You see, he is a professional, and quite beyond the pale.

Now Soccer pros are not the morons some people label them.

"Spurs, Arsenal, Southampton, Crystal Palace, Chelsea, Queens Park Rangers, Brentford, Leyton Orient, Millwall, Luton, Charlton, Fulham, and West Ham are some of the clubs competing at the Empire Pool.

But when the idea was first suggested a group of players belonging to one big-name club were not at all keen.

"Why should we help a body which treats us like lepers?" said their spokesman.

I must admit I can see his point of view.

HYPOCRISY

I don't blame the AAA for upholding the rule book. That is their job.

But, honestly, what a stupendous farce this "amateur" and "professional" business has become.

The whole set-up of modern sport is not only idiotic, it is riddled with hypocrisy. And it wants ending—now.

For these archaic anomalies don't begin or end with British professional footballers being barred from representing Britain in athletics.

One way or another, they have been going on since most of us were dandling at mother's knee.

The Heavyweight Championship

AN UNHOLY MESS IT IS INDEED

SAYS ARCHIE QUICK

How Jack Johnson, Tommy Burns, Jim Jeffries, James Corbett and Bob Fitzsimmons must be turning in their graves and groaning at the unholy mess the once-prized World Heavyweight Championship has degenerated into! Only once before has the issue been confused and that was when Jeffries retired unbeaten and nominated Marvin Hart as his successor. Even so, that was soon cleared up by Burns emerging as the clean-cut champion, at least for a while.

But what are we faced with today? In America, Ezzard Charles has beaten Joe Walcott and is recognised as champion by the National Boxing Association of America, but not by the New York State Athletic Commission. In England, Jack Solomons declares the Leo Savold-Bruce Woodcock clash as for the championship title. Fairly plain sailing up to now, for the respective winners have only to meet to decide the undisputed champion.

Now the fun begins. Ezzard Charles goes in with our old friend Gus Lesnevich and puts his title at stake although both of them are really intruders. Genial Gus has been beaten in the last three fights by Woodcock, Freddie Mills and Joey

Maxim—two of them cruiser-weights—which makes Lesnevich no sort of heavyweight championship contender, nice chap though he is.

Woodcock, beaten by Tommy Maudsley—now out of the picture—and slaughtered by Joe Bakal—himself a victim of Ezzard Charles—goes and gets himself tangled up with a tree driving a lorry along a Yorkshire road at midnight four weeks before the fight of his life is due, with a £25,000 split purse at stake and the possibility of a £2,000 forfeit.

But we haven't finished yet. Coming out of hospital, our Bruce, with his damaged left shoulder in a sling, threatens to pack in the fight game altogether. Then he says the fight is "on," and in quick succession it is "off" and "on" again.

In a new contract, Solomons, not unnaturally, claps on a driving ban and a 10.30 p.m. curfew, and just to bring matters to a ridiculous conclusion, not to be averse to a five-figure addition to the housekeeping money, goes on record with this epic remark: "I am annoyed with Mr. Solomons' restrictions. It will stop me and I paying our weekly visit to a Sheffield cinema."

I ask you. I have come a long way since I mentioned the illustrious champions of old in my opening paragraph. What happens next to a world heavyweight championship which has been dragged around in the dust? Your guess is as good as mine.

GOLF

BEN HOGAN WILL SHOW YOU HOW

Beginning on Monday, the Telegraph sports page will feature a series of articles by Ben Hogan, golf's "Mighty Atom," on how to polish up your game.

Ben Hogan informs his readers that, contrary to anything you may have read on the subject, there is no such individual as the born golfer.

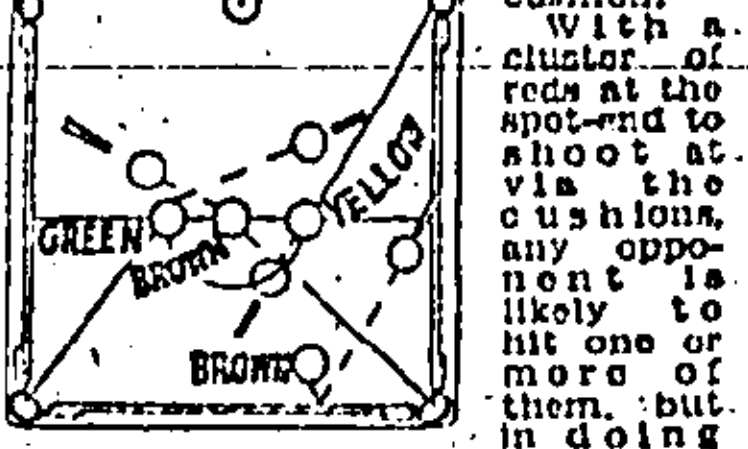
There isn't a mistake that he failed to make while learning to play golf, Ben Hogan says. It was in learning how to correct these that he acquired his championship technique. In his "Power Golf" series he tells you of all the possible mistakes and how they are to be avoided.

Remember this series, exclusive to the Hongkong Telegraph, starts on Monday.

Arthur Peall says:

THIS SNOOKER CAN WIN MATCHES

OUR gentle art of snookering in-cludes modest but very effective little strokes like my diagram cushion-first tap behind the cue-ball.



With a cushion of red at the spot-end to shoot at via the cushion, any opponent is likely to hit one or more of them, but in doing so he may leave a big break on.

Never miss a chance of this kind, because the outcome might win the game.

For something more difficult, try to clear the three ball-blue colours from hand.

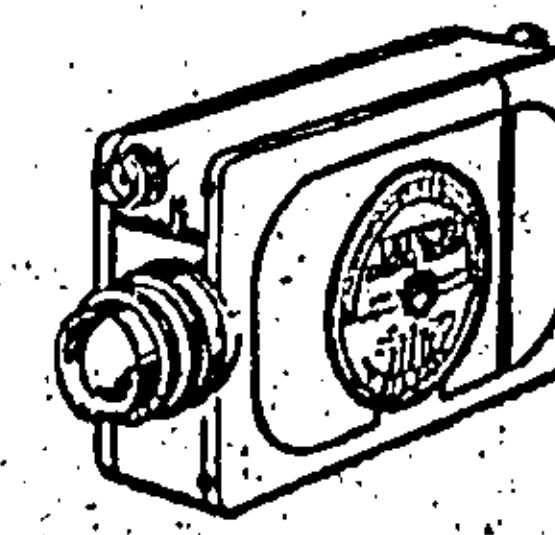
Yellow should be potted almost straight with top on the cue-ball. Green is about a half-ball pot, played away to bring white on the side cushion for a nearly full-ball contact on brown.

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American Naval Town Issues A New Stamp

A white-capped American midshipman from the visiting fleet at Portsmouth smiled their way into British hearts recently, their base town—Annapolis, in Maryland State, where the US Naval Academy is situated—issued this stamp.

It is a map stamp commemorating the founding of Annapolis by Puritan colonists 300 years ago. They named the town after Princess Anne, heir to the British throne.

The stamp shows a cherub-like wind speeding a shipload of settlers, a rowboat taking them ashore, a rock fish and crab which they ate, and the seal of Maryland. This seal was designed by Lord Baltimore, whom King Charles I. made Lord Protector of the State.

If it's detail you're after, this is your stamp. Face value: 3 cents (about 2d.); perforation: 11½ by 10½.

—(London Express Service)

FROM HERE AND THERE:

Kiwi Boys Fed Up With Chaperones

WELLINGTON: Fed up with some genius decided it meant staid chaperoned end-of-term dances finishing at midnight, boys of four big colleges outside Wellington have collaborated in sending invitations to pupils of Wellington colleges for a holiday function with "dancing from 9 pm to one am." The invitations bear the crests and colours of the respective colleges. Even 13-year-olds have been invited. School heads are perturbed.

Life is cheap

NIAGARA FALLS: Major Hill counted his takings and found that he had risked his life in the swirling rapids of the Niagara river gorge for 12s. 6d. That was the amount collected by a friend who passed the hat among some of the thousands who watched when he braved the rapids in a 625-lb. steel drum. Major (that is his christian name and not a military title) is already preparing to attempt a second journey in September.

Horseshair From Cows

BOSTON: Horses now being scarce in America, a Boston chemical company has announced the good news that it can make horseshair from cows.

Cheap Beer Back

NEW YORK: Customers of Sam Atkins, owner of a down-and-outers bar in New York's Bowery, showed their gratitude to him for bringing back 3d. beer. They presented him with a diamond-studded gold wrist watch they had bought by subscription.

Following Bing

HOLLYWOOD: One title on the list of 24 movies requested by Moscow for inspection and possible purchase came out in a Russian translation "Follow my Footsteps." Hollywood's linguists were baffled until

some genius decided it meant Bing Crosby's "Going My Way."

NEW YORK: Steamrolling coffee will spurt from one of the taps of a new automatic coin machine. Out of the other will pour an iced soft drink.

Desk to desk

AUCKLAND (N.Z.): So acute is the shortage of black-coated workers that business firms are "raiding" secondary schools for boys and girls. Pupils are signing up for jobs worth £3 a week as soon as they leave school.

Cave-bawards

JOHANNESBURG: A cave, used as a workshop 60,000 years ago by a race of 7-ft. giants, has been found in the Drakensberg Mountains, Cape Province, says South African archaeologist E. J. Sawyer. In the cave are massive tools, including a huge axe-head still as sharp as a new modern one.

First man out

WELLINGTON (N.Z.): Mr. Frank Langstone, former Socialist Cabinet Minister and High Commissioner in Canada, has resigned from the Parliamentary Labour Party because he disagrees with newly enforced censorship.

Dollar conscious

SALISBURY: Permits for imports into Southern Rhodesia from the Dollar Area and Belgian territories have been suspended for revision of import quotas.

In the bag

DURBAN: A European, F. P. Reed, was fined £10 at Marlborough for tying a nine-year-old boy in a sack and hanging it from a room ceiling all day. He said the boy stole condensed milk.

The LAB-BOYS get inflammation of the conscience

A SORT OF TRAITORS. By Nigel Balchin. Collins. 9s. 6d. 272 pages.

EVER since the atom bomb, no scientist has been able to appear in fiction without acute inflammation of the conscience.

Laboratories ring with moral disputation. Their inmates, denting breasts and brandishing test-tubes, inquire of the Inner Voice:

"Are we, the heaven-appointed Torch Bearers of Knowledge, to take our orders from a posse of ignorant demagogues calling themselves the government? Shall we withhold our precious gifts from Mankind through fear of the Official Secrets Act and M.I.5? Are we lab-boys or the heirs of Newton and Galileo?"

The more headstrong go still further. "Has not the time come," they ask earnestly of themselves, "to take over the government, to abolish those who know not the meaning of H₂SO₄ or the value of a?"

BALCHIN'S people

(Professor) Sewell and his colleagues in the Haughton Laboratory work themselves up into a pretty tantrum because they have discovered the principle governing the avoidance of epidemic disease—and because the government (represented by Sir Guthrie Brewer and Gatling, the Lord President of the Council) forbids them to publish the result of their researches.

For, if you know why plagues are frustrated, you have the power to bring them on. In the hands of an unscrupulous foe, such knowledge could be disastrous for Britain.

Whatever the scientific validity of the proposition, Balchin with his impressive air of knowing all about these matters, makes it alarmingly plausible.

The story develops at speed in brief, conversational matches. Dialogue is terse, true to current jargon, e.g., the mocking flattery and cynical tolerance with which Civil Servants speak of their "masters."

CHARACTERS are shaped

Q with a robust contempt for "type-casting." Nobody could be further from the conventional scientist than Sewell, spilt, elderly prima donna and bad husband.

by GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON

Gatling, however, is surely drawn from life. Tough, cunning self-and well-educated, the face of a sulky bulldog. Gatling has the "best of his argument" with Sewell. But trouble comes from another quarter from young Marriott, who, through Luck, Hynde, a lab assistant, meets Ivor Gates, and through Gates meets Brown.

Gates has lost both arms in the war and is mostly helpless. Lucy, who has been his fiancée, looks after him. Beneath his formal gratitude Gates watches malignantly the growth of love between Lucy and Marriott. He would gladly ruin Marriott to hurt Lucy.

He brings Marriott and Brown together, knowing that Brown is the agent of a foreign government. Brown, scenting a haul, gets to work. Marriott's muddled humanitarianism.

THE Secret Service

acts before Marriott has time to commit his treason. Sewell covers up the tracks—and burns the letter he has just written to Gatling—the letter announcing his intention of defying the Government ban. Science has hauled down the flag. Balchin takes care that drama shall not subside into debate. And he excels in casual comedy.

NIGEL BALCHIN, scientist, business man, author; aged 40; was Deputy Scientific Adviser to Army Council with rank of Brigadier. Books include *Mine Own Executioner*; *Lord, I was Afraid*; *The Borgia Testament*.

ELLEN TERRY AND BERNARD SHAW: A Correspondence. Reinhardt and Evans. 18s. 434 pages.

THE lucky eavesdropper on this enchanting dialogue between two immortals (lasting for 30 years and 310 letters) discovers how to take oneself

seriously without being pompous, be witty while remaining deliciously spontaneous; combine the gaiety and the gravity of courtship; unite wisdom in holy wedlock with extravagance; sober sense with good fun, and write letters as full of uprightness as Queen Victoria's, while not, Not being Queen Victoria!

Or rather, he discovers that such miracles are possible.

For the secret of how they are performed remains locked in the heart of genius. Its existence is demonstrated only when two clouds, heavily charged with talent, electricity and affection meet in the summer sky—and insist, to the surprise and delight of future ages, on making love by post!

A Great Lady of the Theatre, a woman of impetuous courage and a Dear, has the perception to see that, under the blazing beard, G.B.S. is a Duck—and has the kindness to tell him so.

Hence these glorious exchanges.

SAY PLEASE. By Virginia Graham, Harvill Press. 7s. 6d. 202 pages.

ESSAYS in Etiquette for Lady inhabitants of the Welfare State. The Old Order has so changed that Earls live in Edgware and it is now possible to use the word "week-end" without losing caste.

But the New Age has its own pitfalls. "It is a very great tragedy," as Miss Graham justly observes, "to snub a man because he cannot pronounce Marjoribanks and then discover he is the third son of a Duke."

Against such solecisms (gaffes? Boners?) grave warning is given, along with advice on how to watch Gentlemen fishing, shooting; how to be a Mother—at least the Mother of a daughter at a Dance. And other social problems, the more important lessons being reinforced by the visual instruction of Osbert Lancaster.

Unhappily, I find no advice on how a Lady's book should be reviewed: by a Gentleman—imposing a reviewer could be a Gentleman.

VIRGINIA GRAHAM, daughter of humorist Captain Harry Graham; born in London; 1910 married Anthony Thesiger nephew of former Viceroy Lord Chelmsford; has published a collection of poems.

CHIPPY helps you smarten the boxroom

THE problem of the boxroom—which is usually someone's bedroom—is the most put-off and putting-off riddle of many homes.

In a room which may be only 6 feet by 10 feet, an ordinary bedstead, wardrobe, dressing-table, and chest of drawers will give it the overcrowded appearance shown in the top drawing. It needs clever furnishing and decoration to create an illusion of space.

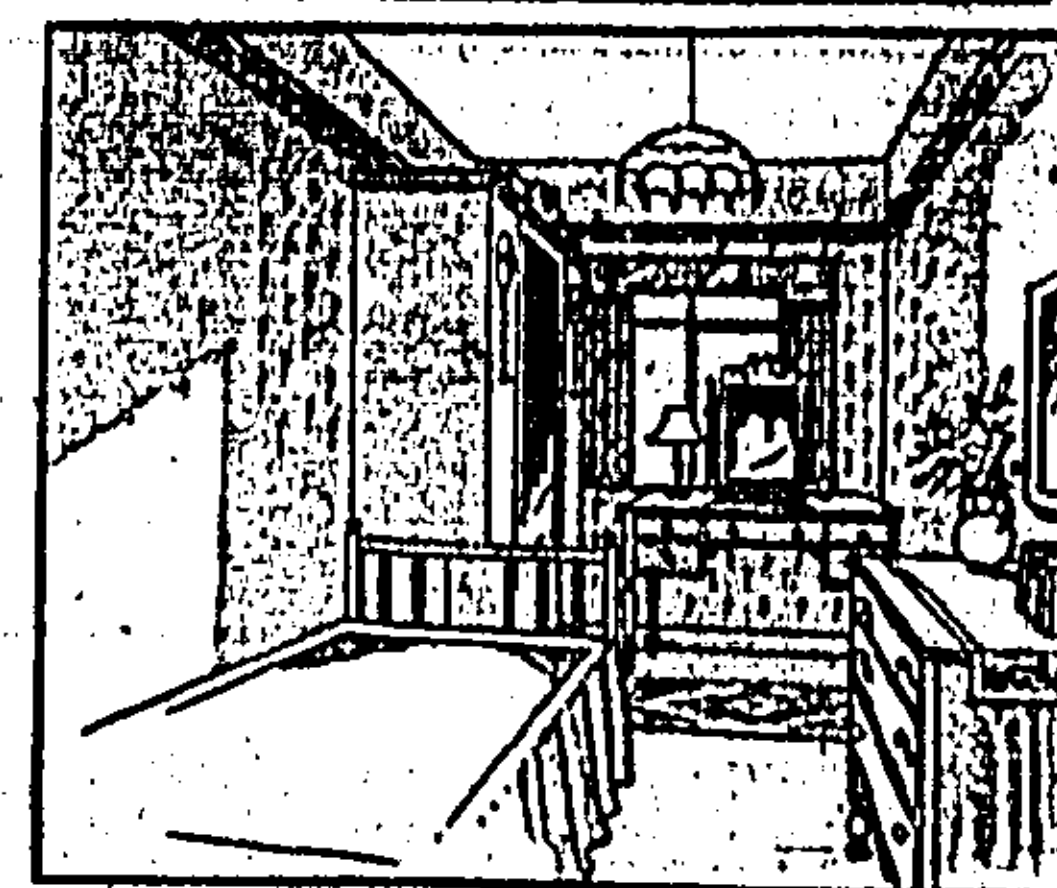
Small-scale fitted furniture, simple lines, and plain, unbroken surfaces are the secret of success.

The second drawing shows what can be achieved by careful arrangement along these lines. The old-fashioned wardrobe has been taken to pieces and the near-side and mirror-fronted door have been reassembled to make a small built-in wardrobe with the walls of the room forming the back and far side.

The floor space from door to window, in a now clear and the striped design of the flush-fitted carpet helps to make the narrow room look wider. To add further to the illusion of space, the walls above the dressing-table are lined with mirrors which reflect and continue the lines of the window.

The little bedroom is now light, cheerful, and sufficiently spacious for comfortable living.

—(London Express Service)



BEFORE . . . overcrowded, cumbersome

The timber thus saved has made the wall dressing-table and the shelves outside the wardrobe and above the bed. To avoid the obstruction of bed-ends the bedstead has been replaced by a divan, and there is room between the divan, and the wardrobe fluted for a narrow set of drawers to replace the cumbersome chest.

The floor space from door to window, in a now clear and the striped design of the flush-fitted carpet helps to make the narrow room look wider. To add further to the illusion of space, the walls above the dressing-table are lined with mirrors which reflect and continue the lines of the window.

The little bedroom is now light, cheerful, and sufficiently spacious for comfortable living.

—(London Express Service)

DAB and FLOUNDER —by WALTER



50 Years Leaning Over A Bridge

A MAN whose hobby is leaning over the parapet of London Bridge has written a book about it.

He is Mr. A. G. Thompson, Thames historian, who has been gazing down on the sweep of river called The Pool for 50 years.

Here are some of the fragments of history, legend, and romance his study has brought to light:

Old London Bridge, built in 1176 by Peter of Colechurch, lasted 650 years. Before then there were wooden bridges and it is believed, one in Roman times.

Until 1749 it was the only bridge by which Londoners could cross the Thames. Today there are 26.

It gave way

One bridge was demolished in 1014, when invasion craft, under King Olaf of Norway, tied up to the piling and rowed downstream until the bridge gave way.

On October 15, 1114, an extraordinary tide left the water only knee-deep, and people waded over to the Tower.

To pay for repairing the bridge in 1291 Edward I. sanctioned a toll of a farthing on all pedestrians crossing with merchandise.

After Tower Wharf was built in the 13th century, the river

As a telescope

When the Monument was built, in 1677, Wren intended it for use as a vertical telescope.

Clink-street, close to the bridge, was once the site of an ecclesiastical pool and gave cockneys a slang term for "prison."

A one-day census in 1811 revealed these figures: 69,640 pedestrians, 1,240 coaches, and 769 wagons.

There was a cable-omnibus service under the Thames in 1870. The first iron tunnel, now used to house water mains, was the forerunner of the London tube.

Mr. Thompson notes that there are 60 different funnel markings for tugs passing under the bridge; spots the first ship for years with a purple band round its hull to denote mourning for the owner; and encounters another Pool-gazer who has collected the names of 5,000 ships.

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Gerald Scheff

—(London Express Service)

VIGNETTES OF LIFE



Unsung Heroes—and Heroines BY KEMP STARRETT



SPORTS

STORIES

PUZZLES

MENTAL GYMNASIUM

Geographical Puzzles About Mexico

INDUSTRIAL MIX-UP

Three Mexican industries are hidden in these strange lines. Uncover them by rearranging the letters:

MY RING DIN I STUN
POST MULER
CRAG U LURE IT

MEXICAN REBUS

Use the words and pictures correctly, and you'll learn four facts about our subject:

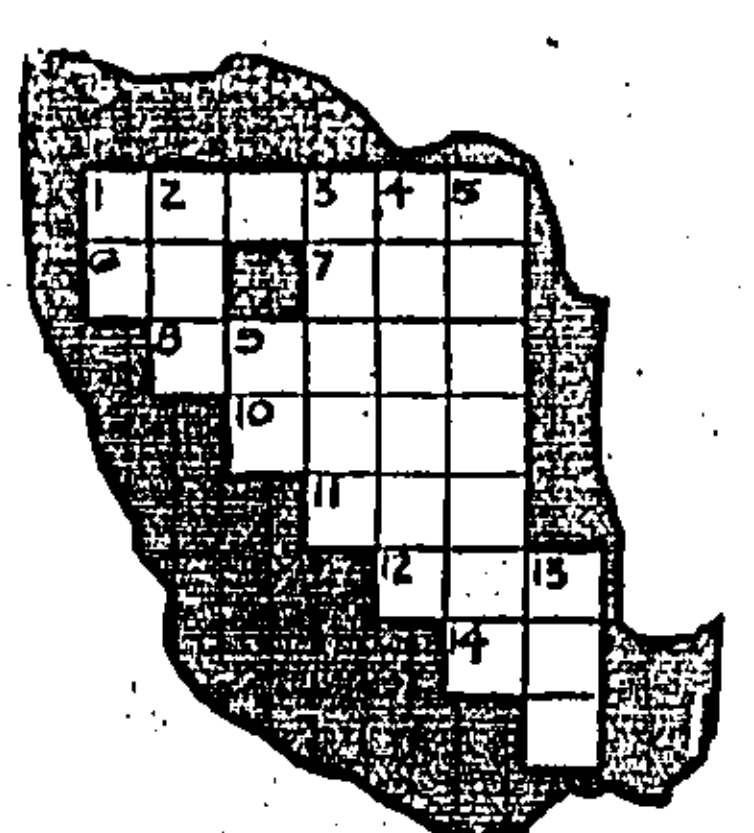


CODED MESSAGE

A simple code has been used to conceal our statement about Mexico. Can you decipher it? (Clue: A Mexican river is named.)

Vic Tika Tiptop tkkst hlgan
ugur qh Obzke'u pwtvtp
dqwpfca.

CROSSWORD



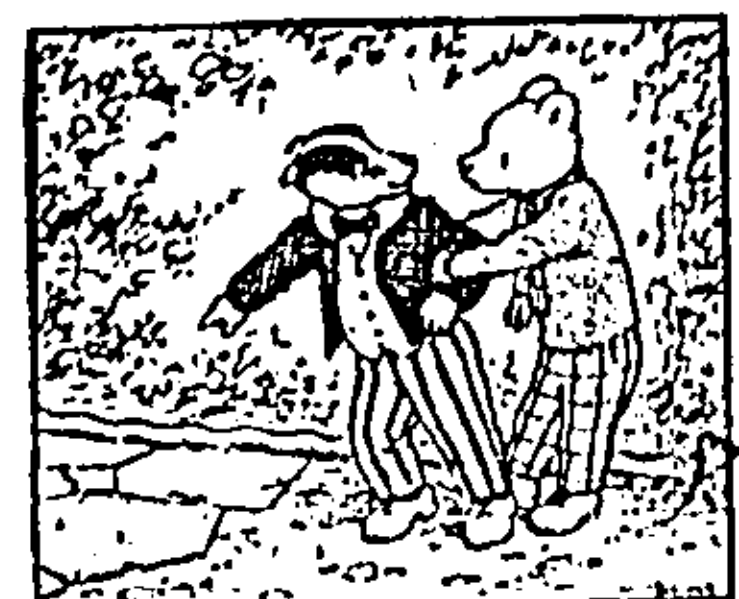
ACROSS

- This puzzle is about —
- Any
- Short for Ronald
- Not long
- Girl's name
- Indian weight
- Point
- Hawaiian bird

DOWN

- Mother
- Abstract being
- Presses
- Trumpet
- Canadian province
- Laughter sound
- Cooking utensil

Rupert's Queer Path—18



Rupert soon finds that his path is in a mischievous mood, and he is anxious to get back to the cozy path. "We'd better keep off it until Daddy gets back," he says, clutching at his arm and trying to hold him back. "Nobody knows what Tigerly may have done to the rest of the path." But Bill insists. "Didn't you notice what Tigerly did?" he smiles. "She only put the powder and the magic on some of the slabs. She didn't touch the others. Don't you see what a game we could have?"

BRONCHO BILL

Men of Ideas

By Harry F. O'Neill



The BOYS and GIRLS PAGE



CRAFTS

GAMES

JOKES

DO-IT By Dato Goss



Congo DRUM

1. Cut bottom from COFFEE CAN with roller type CAN OPENER.

2. Cut out strip of COLORED PAPER and GLUE around can.

3. Cut 2 CLOTH circles 1 inch wider than ends of can.

4. Fasten over ends with RUBBER BANDS.

5. Lace together with NEEDLE and HEAVY THREAD.

6. Paint cloth on both ends with SHELLAC or thin GLUE... pull being tight again. When dry, shellac once more. Let dry and decorate with CRAYONS.

7. Tie STRING lightly around can. Leave loop to put over your head!

BEAT WITH A STICK!

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MA PUTS ON HER THINKING-CAP

RAT-TAT! Rat-tat! "Who's that knocking at every one's door?" said Ma Rubbalong, looking out of the window. "My, my—it's Mr. Plod the policeman!"

So it was. He looked very solemn and serious, too, as he stood at each door, saying something in his deep, slow voice. He came to Ma Rubbalong's door. Rat-tat! She opened the door.

"Well, you're doing a lot of hammering this morning, Mr. Plod," said Ma. "What's it all about?"

"It's about the stealing and the thieving that's going on in Tiptop Village," said Mr. Plod. "Eggs taken, crops taken, tools taken out of sheds. Very serious business, Ma Rubbalong. It's my job to catch the thief. I'm asking everyone if they have any idea who it is."

"Oh yes—I've quite a good idea!" said Ma. "But I've got no proof, Mr. Plod—and you won't catch me accusing anyone until I've got real proof!"

"Quite right, Ma, quite right," said Mr. Plod. "Well now—can you help me to find the thief, do you think—without naming any names or pointing any fingers? You're clever, Ma. How can we find the thief?"

"Come back tonight and I'll tell," said Ma. "I'll put my thinking-cap on, and maybe I'll know how to catch the thief!"

As usual, her thinking-cap worked very well indeed!

When Mr. Plod came to see her that night Ma told him how she would catch the thief.

"Now, you listen to me," she said. "Little Rubbalong is going to put my cat Tubby into my garden shed. You're to get every single person in Tiptop Village here, Mr. Plod, and they are to go into the shed one by one, and stroke my cat. 'Beware for!' said Mr. Plod, amazed.

"You're to tell them that Tubby will yowl loud when the thief strokes him," said Ma. "Oh, he'll yowl like 10 cats rolled into one! And we'll all hear him, for we'll be standing outside the shed—and we'll know who's inside, Mr. Plod!"

"Extraordinary!" said Mr. Plod, staring at Ma in amazement. "Yes, yes, Ma Rubbalong. I'll certainly bring everyone here."

Little Rubbalong looked at Ma when Mr. Plod had gone. "Oh, Ma! Honestly, Tubby won't know."

"Be quiet—and fetch Tubby here," said Ma. "You can watch what I do to him—and maybe you'll guess how he'll tell me the thief!"

And suddenly Mrs. Cuckoo, who had been listening all the while (and thinking as hard as she could inside her cottage in the clock), threw open her door again and called out: "There's a picture of them in a book! There's a picture of them in a book!"

"What book?" shouted Teddy. "What book?" shouted everyone else.

But Mrs. Cuckoo disappeared inside her cottage again and shut the door without answering.

A Long Time

It took everyone a long time to guess what book Mrs. Cuckoo meant. But it was Hand, the Shadow-girl, who finally did. She darted over to the book-shelf, and took down a book, and opened it to the story of Goldilocks and there—big and grand and smiling—were Papa Bear and Mama Bear!

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Everyone stood in a row and showed their hands.

GREAT BUTTER

But no—not everyone had—who was this holding out trembling hands as clean and white as could be?

"Sniff the goblin!" cried Ma, and she held up his hands for everyone to see. "You're the thief! I guessed you were—you mean, snivelling little creature! You're the thief!"

"How do you know?" wailed Sniff, in terror. "Tubby didn't yowl, he didn't, he didn't!"

"No because you were too afraid to stroke him!" said Ma. "You know you were the thief—and you were afraid Tubby would yowl as soon as you touched him! So you didn't stroke him, as everyone else did—and your hands stayed clean and didn't get sooty!"

"Come with me," said Mr. Plod to Sniff, and howling dismally, the nasty little goblin went off with the big policeman.

"And everyone else can come with me!" said Ma briskly. "I've got hot water and soap and towels for you all! We'll soon get rid of the soot. Tubby, you come too!"

Little Rubbalong washed Tubby clean, and whispered in his ear. "You found the thief all right, Tubby—but do tell me you would have been clever enough to yowl if Sniff had stroked you!"

"Ee-owee-ow," said Tubby obligingly. So now you know the answer.

—(London Express Service)

You Can Have Fun With This Code

YOU can have heaps of fun making messages by means of "secret" writing. It's called "street" writing, not because it is written on pavements, but because the diagrams are "street" maps.

The diagram shows "New York" written in street language.

First try writing some secret messages using the code. Next see if you can write out the alphabet letters and yet they have very different meanings. This makes it confusing for anyone trying to read your message. Not only that, but the code is easy to remember once you understand how it works.

The letters are formed along four "streets". From A to G the letters are on the north and south sides only. From H to N use east and south sides. From O to U use south and west sides. And from V to Z use west and north sides. Notice you must go around a block in a clockwise direction.

Letter A shows one wall of a house on the north side. Letter B shows two walls. Letter C shows three walls. Letter D is one wall at a corner. Letter E shows one wall on the east side, letter F two walls on the east side, and letter G three walls on the east side.

The other streets follow the same construction as the A to G lines. Notice: Letter H is one wall at a corner. Letter I is two walls at a corner. Letter J is three walls at a corner. Letter K is one wall on the north side, letter L two walls on the north side, and letter M three walls on the north side.

Letter N shows one wall on the north side, letter O two walls on the north side, and letter P three walls on the north side. Letter Q shows one wall on the west side, letter R two walls on the west side, and letter S three walls on the west side. Letter T shows one wall on the west side, letter U two walls on the west side, and letter V three walls on the west side.

Letter W shows one wall on the west side, letter X two walls on the west side, and letter Y three walls on the west side. Letter Z shows one wall on the west side, letter A two walls on the west side, and letter B three walls on the west side.

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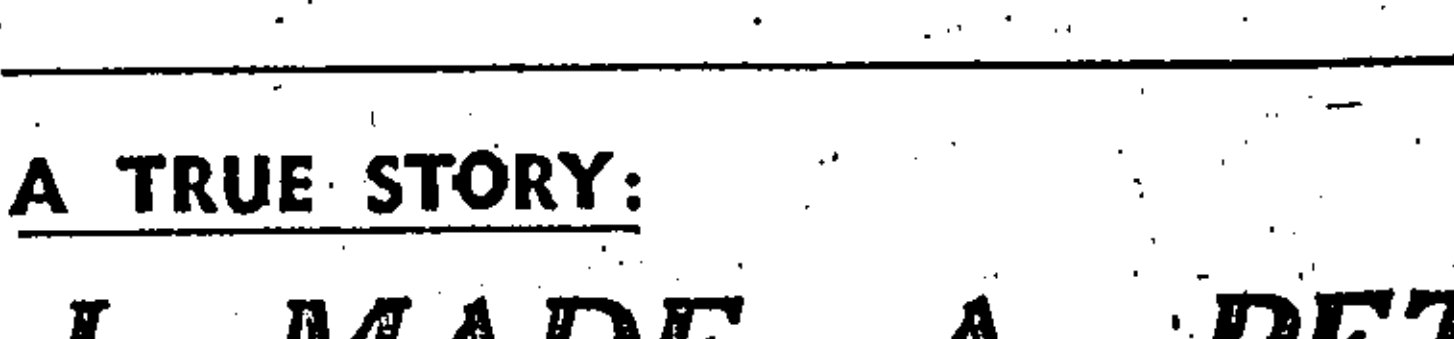
ZOO'S WHO



THE CAPYBARA OF SOUTH AMERICA... WORLD'S LARGEST RODENT REACHES 4 FEET IN LENGTH...



GRIZZLY BEARS CAN ATTAIN THE SPEED OF 35 MILES PER HOUR...



SALMON CAN JUMP A FALLS OF SIX TO EIGHT FEET...

A TRUE STORY: I MADE A PET OF INKY CROW

By Laree E. King

LAST spring a pair of crows nested in some trees, near our house on our farm. I decided I would like a young crow for a pet, because I had heard they could be taught to talk.

So I waited until the young ones were partly feathered, before taking one from the nest. I put the young crow in an empty rabbit hutch and named him Inky. His food was stale light bread soaked in sweet milk and some cottage cheese. When I walked up to the cage, I always called out, "Hi, Inky, Hi!" and he would open his mouth for the food.

Inky grew very fast and began to greet me with, "Hi, Hi," when I came near his cage. When he became strong enough to use his wings, I put him outside the cage, and he soon learned to fly a little. It was then I decided to carry him back to his own home and his parents, because he had begun to watch some baby chicks covetously. (But I should have had no fear there, because later Inky got the fogging of his life from two mother hens, when he attempted to get too near their babies.)

One afternoon I carried him back to the nest, thinking all was well for Inky. I thought he would be happy to get back with his parents, brothers and sisters. But the next morning as we were eating breakfast, I heard a loud "Cawing" and saw four crows dipping down and fighting another crow, who was making slow progress in flying.

The exhausted crow flew into the shelter of some cedar trees near the house. Going to Inky, I always flew to the thick foliage of the trees and hid, never giving out a murmur until the crows were out of sight.

He sometimes would jabber like a baby trying to talk, croaking his neck and making comical expressions, but "Hi" was the only word he ever spoke clearly. He must have thought he was a chicken, because he would sit on the edge of the feed bin joining the chicken house, in the early morning and cackle exactly like a hen. He would jabber happily when the hens were turned outside for the day.

Inky soon learned I wouldn't feed him the delicacies he loved unless he would sit on my arm. After eating what he wanted, he always took one more mouthful, hopped to the ground and proceeded to find a hiding place for the food. Sometimes he would choose an empty tin can, other times he would push the food under a stick, loose straw or even in a clump of grass or weeds.

But one day in autumn Inky was missing; whether he took up with the large flock of crows that gather at that time of the year, or was killed by some hunter, I never knew. Because I haven't seen Inky since.

Some fence posts were stacked on a wagon, and one day when they were moved, my husband found all kinds of objects under the posts—pop bottle caps, small sticks and pebbles and bones, which Inky had hid.

Even the simple inventions, such as safety pins and wheels, were the result of considerable other great inventors have done.

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SPARE MOMENTS PAGE

MCKENNEY
ON BRIDGEHere's Good Tip
On Defence Play

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Rubber—N-S vol.
 South West North East
 1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
 4♥ Pass 5♥ Pass
 Opening—♦ 10 11

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

TODAY'S hand on false-carding was selected from an article written by Alfred P. Sheinwald for The Bridge World. The article is entitled "Practical Bridge." However, it is also well-thought-out bridge of the type that will make the game more enjoyable for you.

If the opponents get all the cards and gully bid for a game or a slam which is ice-cold, you are the loser. Not too many people like to lose. Too often, Mr. Sheinwald points out, players give up, while if they had their thinking caps on, they could defeat some supposedly ice-cold contracts. Then he gives them his hand.

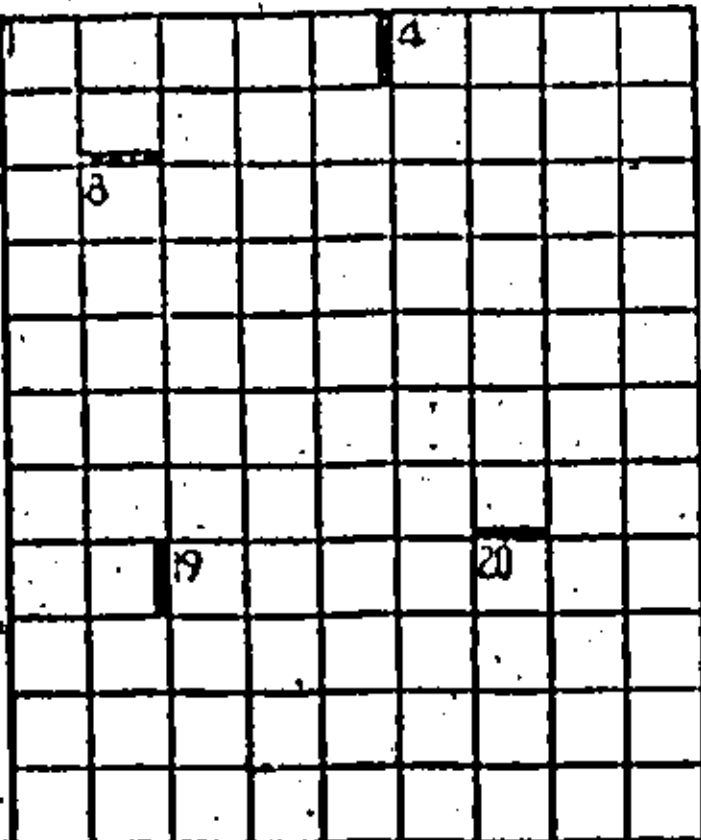
On the opening lead of the ten of diamonds, declarer played the five-spot from dummy and East won with the king. East returned a club which West won with the ace. He continued with a club which declarer won. He took three rounds of trumps, winning the last in his own hand, then played a small spade toward dummy.

The mechanical player sitting West would simply put on the six-spot. Declarer, won dummy, the nine-spot and East would win with the queen. Now, when declarer won the next trick, he would finesse the jack of spades and make his contract.

However, if you want to defeat this contract, Mr. Sheinwald says, be practical. Try to make the cards give declarer the wrong impression. When he leads the deuce of spades, put up your king—right away. Declarer will win the trick in dummy with the ace, come back to his own hand and lead toward the jack of spades.

Now when you play the six-spot, declarer must guess. He will figure that you originally held the king-queen-six of spades, and that when you played the king, you were splitting your honours. He will play the jack from dummy. East will win with the queen and return a spade. This will defeat the contract.

SKELETON CROSSWORD



CLUES DOWN
1. Descriptive of a nursery rhyme animal's coat (three words).
2. One who calls from a helix.
3. Figure seen in coma.
4. It's made up for human consumption.
5. Antonym of "I Down" (three words).
6. It has two points.
7. I reject Diana's note.
8. Tiny pig's language.
9. Might describe a blonde.
10. Discovered, there's nothing in the "kitty".
11. One side of a leaf.
12. Clink.

(Solution on this page)

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I wish they didn't have Russian composers on almost every programme—I never know whether it's patriotic to applaud or not!"

BY THE WAY
by Beachcomber

THE suggestion that a single trouser-leg for men would save material to earn dollars prompts me to go further, and earn even more dollars.

Why not make life a kind of three-legged race by having one trouser-leg for every two men? If this seems ridiculous to you, just think how ridiculous it must seem to me.

(Enter a man in a brimless hat, wearing half a shirt bandolier fashion.)

A life on the rolling sea

WEARY of having to cross the Atlantic in a wretched old

£10,000,000 skow, with only nine decks and five ballrooms, the Americans have decided to spend £17,500,000 on something they can really call a ship. It will, I believe, include an eighteen-hole golf course, a first-class racetrack, a greyhound stadium, a lake with real rocky hills built round it, a 400,000-candle-power moon, a television palace, and an artificial forest peopled with stags. Helicopters will fly the passengers from any of the twenty-four cocktail bars to all parts of the ship. From a sun-trap glass crew's nest music will be relayed night and day. It will, or should—be called the Atlantic Hotel.

I AM indignantly fond of the story of the man who complained to the purser in one of the luxury liners that, from his cabin, he could see the sea.

Monocled laundress steals plough (Morning paper).

THE man is father to the child. How your food well before swallowing it, baby, as Gladstone said to Manon des Andouillettes, when she broke her knife against a join-chop during a Government picnic in Savernake Forest.

Chez Foulencough I BELIEVE this is the only restaurant where you can get Sparkling Vin Rose, specially prepared with cochineal and carmine, sold on credit to Chablis Type. "It is not a wine to lay down," says Foulencough. "But it has an extraordinary and unusual bouquet—a kind of mixture of burning rubber and leek soup." Hold it up to the light, and you can see liquid sunshine of a kind of pale blood-orange hue. The taste is perplexing—a subtle blend of boiled tulip and rolling rust. It costs 31s. 6d. a bottle, because (a) anything sparkling suggests devilment and luxury, (b) people think that nobody would dare to charge such a price unless the wine were really remarkable, (c) the man who puts in the cochineal and other colouring matters has a hold over Foulencough.

In passing THE three chief curses of the present-day film, apart from the actors and actresses and the stories, are the "flash-back," the celestial voices, and the commentator voice. Why not use all three together? Whenever there is a flash-back, to show that the girl who has shot her father was once a simple Vermont rose-bud, let us have the commentator saying, "Yep. There I wuz in my home-town..." and at the same time let us have those heavenly voices.

—(London Express Service)

YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

BORN today, your very versatility may prove a real handicap. Unless you learn to analyse your many talents, concentrate on some one until you become an expert, you will not reach the success the stars indicate should be yours.

You have a great deal of force and energy. Just see that it is directed properly and all is well. Parents of children born on this day will find that early vocational and constructive recreational guidance keeps active minds out of mischief.

You have a great deal of personal magnetism and make friends easily. In fact, you are the type to engulf the cares of the whole world in your arms—and still have a lot of interest left for everything that goes on around you.

If dedicated to some project, there is no more ardent enthusiast, propagandist or sponsor. You might find that politics interest you deeply. But you would never be a party wheelhorse, for you would have too many original and individualistic ideas.

Music and the arts attract you and you might find happiness in one of these professions. If not, you might become a patron and encourage those whose talents you believe are outstanding. You need a happy home life to be contented and an early marriage should be happiest for you.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

BORN today, you will never be a strict conformist. You are much too original to follow any set pattern of procedure and will, instead, follow your own plans and ideas. They may be so much of an innovation that you will bear the brunt of considerable criticism at first. But in the person, you will find that you will have set a new vogue, which perhaps all the world will eventually follow.

Your originality would serve you well in the field of experimentation. Science may offer you a career, for you would find expression for your inventive imagination in this type of work. Fortunately, there is a streak of practicality in your nature, and you never will go off the deep end when it comes to trying out a new idea. You can usually tell, early in the game, whether it is going to be worth while. This is a valuable time-saver and one of the star's special gifts to those born today.

You have many of the qualifications of leadership and know how to handle people and get them to work for you. Look for the 19th of December each year, for something of paramount importance should occur at that time. Be prepared to accept any opportunity offered to you at that time.

Highly emotional in your personal life, you will be happiest if you are wed at an early age. You are loyal, sincere and unswerving in your devotion to the one you love.

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LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Write an important letter and get results. Postpone any business plans for expansion until later.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Continue what you began yesterday and follow up all new opportunities offered at once. Procrastination is bad policy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Be conservative when it comes to making money expenditures. Don't be too adventuresome.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Influences are fairly good for all general matters. If a decision in romance comes up, however, postpone it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If you are planning to take a winter trip, be careful that you do not suffer from a careless accident.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Take a short trip and benefit from it. Write an important letter and make a necessary decision.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Be cautious in money matters. Follow through on any of yesterday's plans. If they were well laid.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—If you are spending your vacation at some resort, you should have a fine time today. Make new friends.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Your self-control and ability to please those who may become angry can make this a fairly good day.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be diplomatic at home. Don't argue over anything. Business is not for today. Seek spiritual guidance if perplexed.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—A day of precarious tendencies, so be diplomatic and careful of the feelings of others. Peace is worth any price.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Being too independent today will only alienate friends and make enemies. Be co-operative with others for the best results.

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Business complications are likely to arise unless you are very cautious. Settle all labour problems tactfully.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Last call for summer, recreational occupations. Make the most of all potentials now to make up past losses.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—If you utilise your best judgment and take no risks especially in business matters, all will go well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—A good day for a wedding. Business affairs portend well, also. Look forward to making progress now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Still a good "waiting day." Trends will change soon, so be as patient as you can. Better that way!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—General matters can be

fair, but don't trust your judgment when it comes to making important business decisions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Pay close attention to detail work and you cannot go very far wrong. Don't be too aggressive just yet.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Early morning hours are the most productive so finish what needs to be done, then rest when afternoon comes.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Follow routine closely if you want the "best" possible results.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be sure that all your friends can be trusted. Use your best judgment when making decisions.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Some changes are in the air. Show favourability for marriages and matters on home front. Business is unreliable.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Only a fair to middling day for your activities. Guard your expenditures. Don't be extravagant.

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.
Across: 1, Sprat; 5, Easy; 8, Reprise; 10, Printer; 12, Riot; 14, Roll; 15, Heals; 17, Commands; 18, Darn; 20, Idea; 21, Snuggle; 22, Elder; 23, Sere.

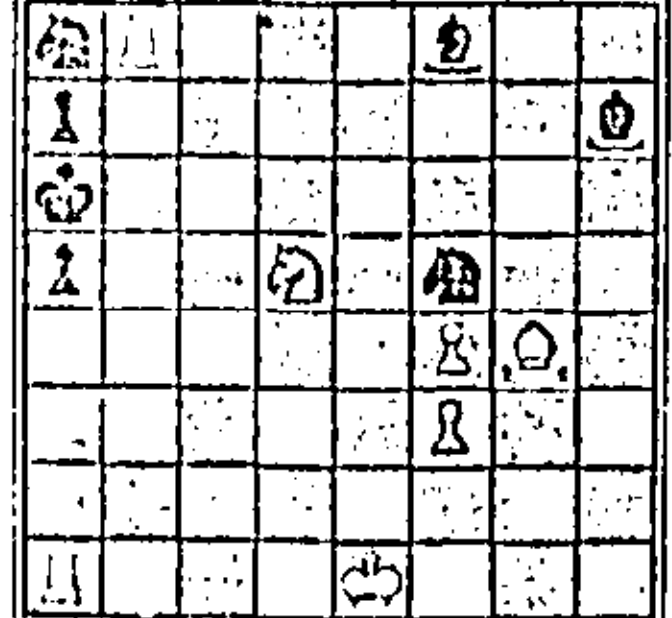
Down: 1, Staircase; 2, Reprimand; 3, April; 4, Trio; 6, Astraddle; 7, York; 9, Who; 11, Ellis; 13, Ten; 15, Hang; 16, Share; 19, Rue.

Solution of Skeleton Crossword on this page—
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SAGAFISIS
33 PRONGS
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CHESS PROBLEM

By P. BARRON

Black 7 pieces.



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White to play and mate in two.

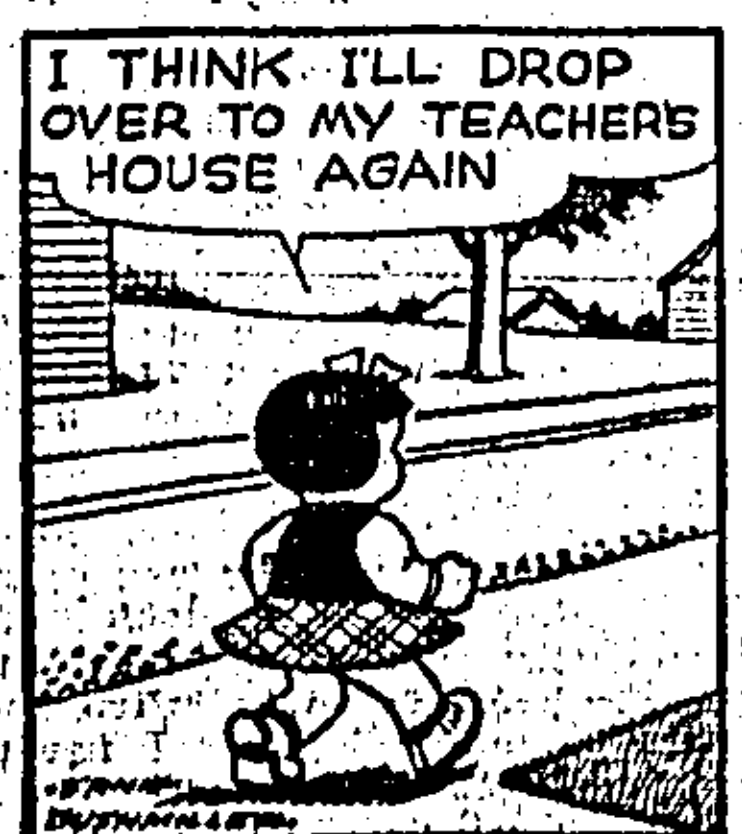
Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. K-Q5, 1... P-B6; 2. B-K3; 1... K-R7; 2. QXP (ch); 1... Kt any; 2. Kt-B3 (ch).

NANCY

Distance Lends Enchantment

By Ernie Bushmiller

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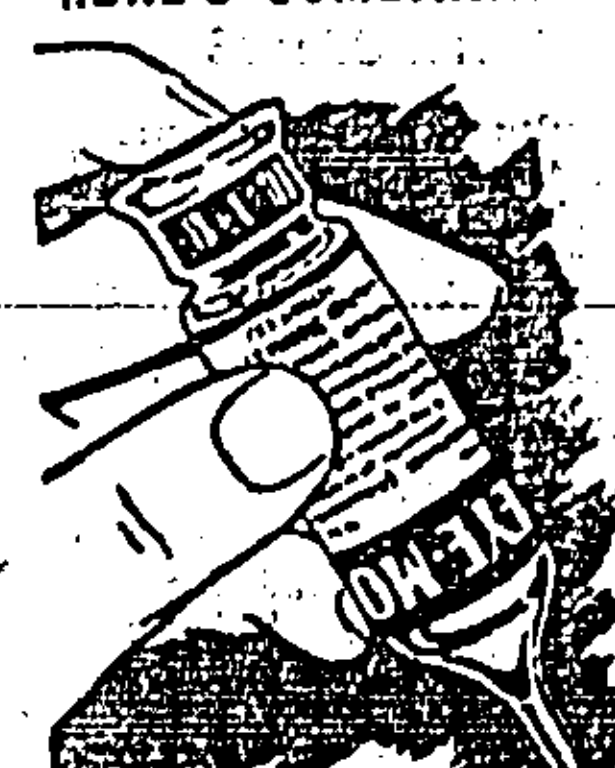
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